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**Group Chairman's Aircraft Performance Study**

**A. ACCIDENT**

Location:	Jefferson City, Missouri
Date:	October 14, 2004
Time:	1015 CDT
Aircraft:	N8396A, Flagship 3701, Pinnacle Airlines CL-600
NTSB Number:	DCA05MA003

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## **C. SUMMARY**

On October 14, 2004, at 10:13 pm central daylight time, a Bombardier Canadair Regional Jet (CRJ-200), N8396A, operated by Pinnacle Airlines and doing business as Northwest Airlink Airlines, crashed into a residential area in Jefferson City, Missouri, after declaring an emergency due to engine problems. The airplane was destroyed. The only occupants on board the airplane were the two pilots, and both were killed. There were no injuries on the ground. The non-revenue positioning flight departed from Little Rock, Arkansas, and was en route to Minneapolis, Minnesota before declaring the emergency.

Performance Group members arrived on scene the next day after the accident and commenced on scene documentation of the accident site, ground scars, tree strikes, and evaluation of the available radar data. Factual information gathered is contained in the Group Chairman's Aircraft Performance Wreckage Site Factual Report. Flight Data Recorder (FDR), Cockpit Voice Recorder (CVR), Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) radar data, weather data, and Air Traffic Control (ATC) communication data were used to develop the time history of the accident aircraft motion described in this report. Performance parameters for several portions of the flight are presented in this report. Composite plots will graphically show the location and orientation of the airplane when key events occurred

## **D. DETAILS OF INVESTIGATION**

### **1. Accident Location**

The accident aircraft debris was found scattered in and around the main wreckage resting location. The impact location of the nose was determined by a Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) receiver. The front edge (along the direction of travel) of the ground scar caused by the nose of the aircraft determined to be 38° 32.945' N, 92° 8.609' W, at an elevation of 740 feet mean sea level (msl). For details of information obtained from the wreckage site, see the Aircraft Performance Wreckage Site Factual Report.

## 2. Radar Data

The Air Route Surveillance Radar (ARSR) range and azimuth transponder secondary radar data for the accident flight was provided by the FAA. The ARSR data is obtained at a frequency of once every 12 seconds. The format supplied by the FAA contains time in hours, minutes, seconds, range from the radar site in nautical miles (NM), azimuth in ACP's (4096 ACP's = 360°), uncorrected (pressure) altitude, and beacon code. The range-azimuth-altitude format for each data set was converted to x-y-altitude format relative to the respective radar antenna using the magnetic variation for the radar site. In this converted x-y coordinate system, x represents true east and y is true north in nautical miles from the radar antenna. In the portion of the flight from final portion of the ascent to the accident site, radar coverage was obtained from the Crocker FAA long range antenna.

Radar data for the final portion of the ascent to 41,000 feet, and the subsequent descent is plotted on a map of the region in figure 2-1. Figure 2-3 shows data closer to the ground impact site. In this plot, the radar altitude is adjusted for the local altimeter setting of 29.63 inches Hg at Jefferson City airport (JEF) after the airplane descends below 18,000 feet. Figure 2-3 shows the radar altitude data. Plotted in figure 2-4 is the east-north distance relative to the Crocker ARSR antenna in with selected ATC communications during the final portions of the descent. The final radar return was about 0.58 n.m. southeast of the crash site at 930 feet-msl altitude (1200 feet pressure altitude uncorrected). Tabulated radar data, showing time, range, and azimuth from the Crocker antennae, uncorrected altitude, latitude and longitude is given in Attachment 2-1.

### Figure 2-1 – Radar Ground Track

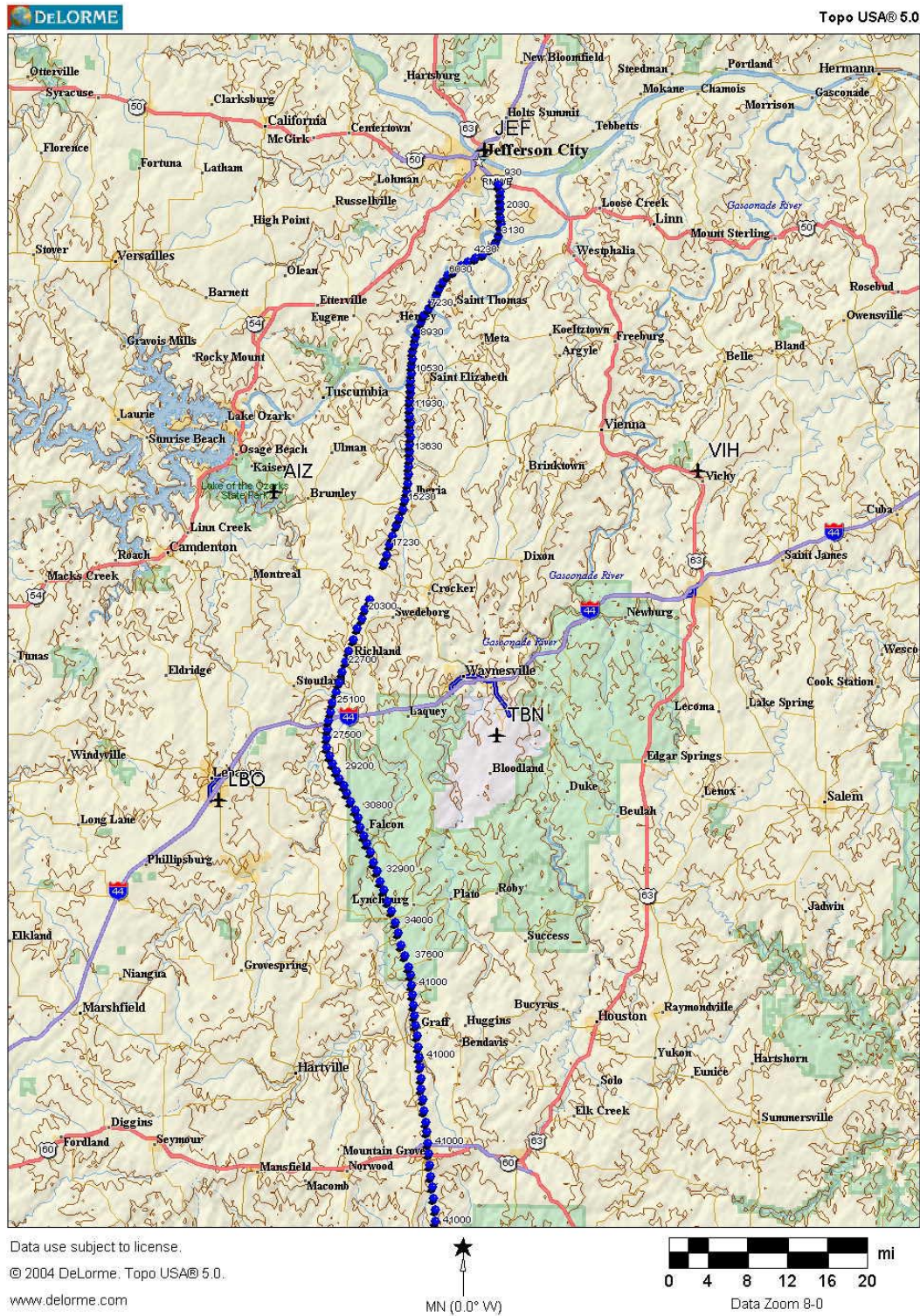
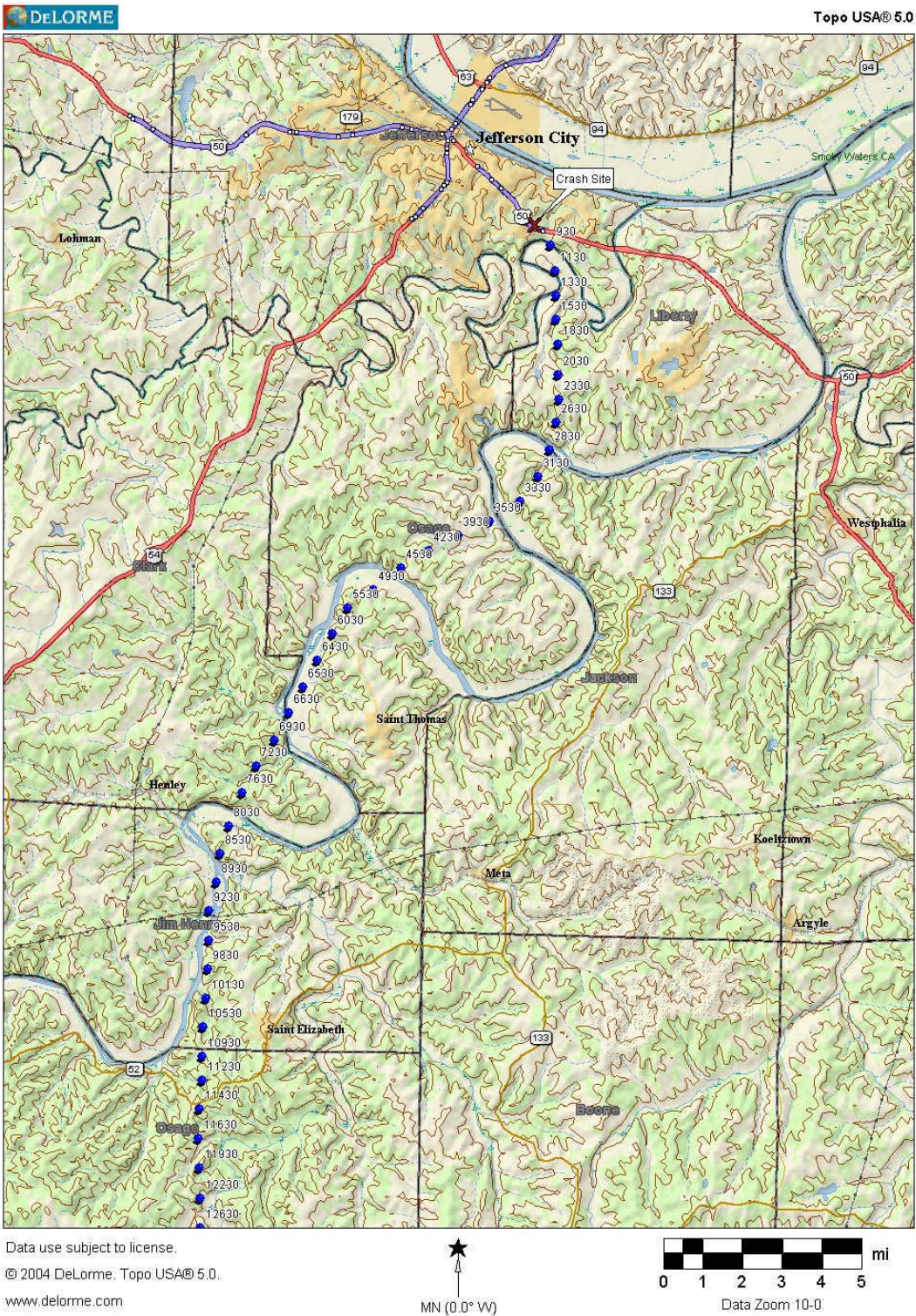




Figure 2-2 – Radar Ground Track



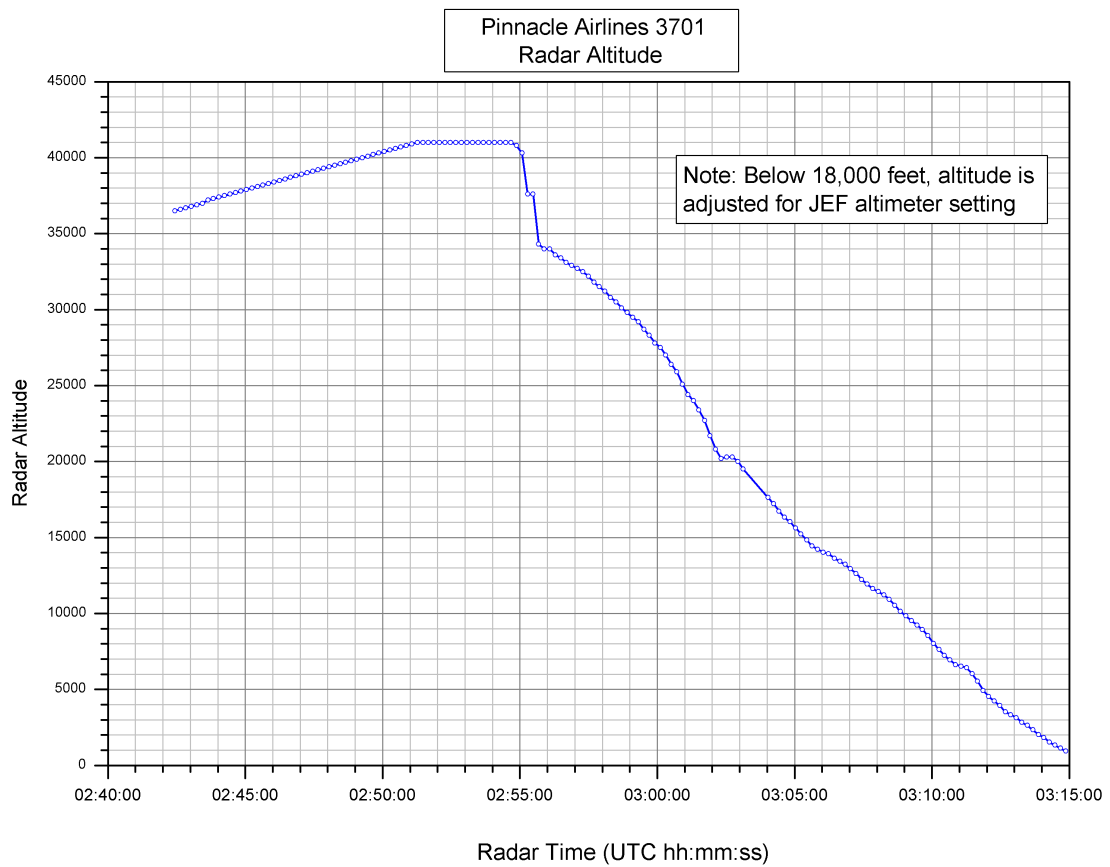


Figure 2-3 – Radar Altitude

Pinnacle Airlines 3701  
Groundtrack with selected ATC communication  
Descent from 18,000 feet

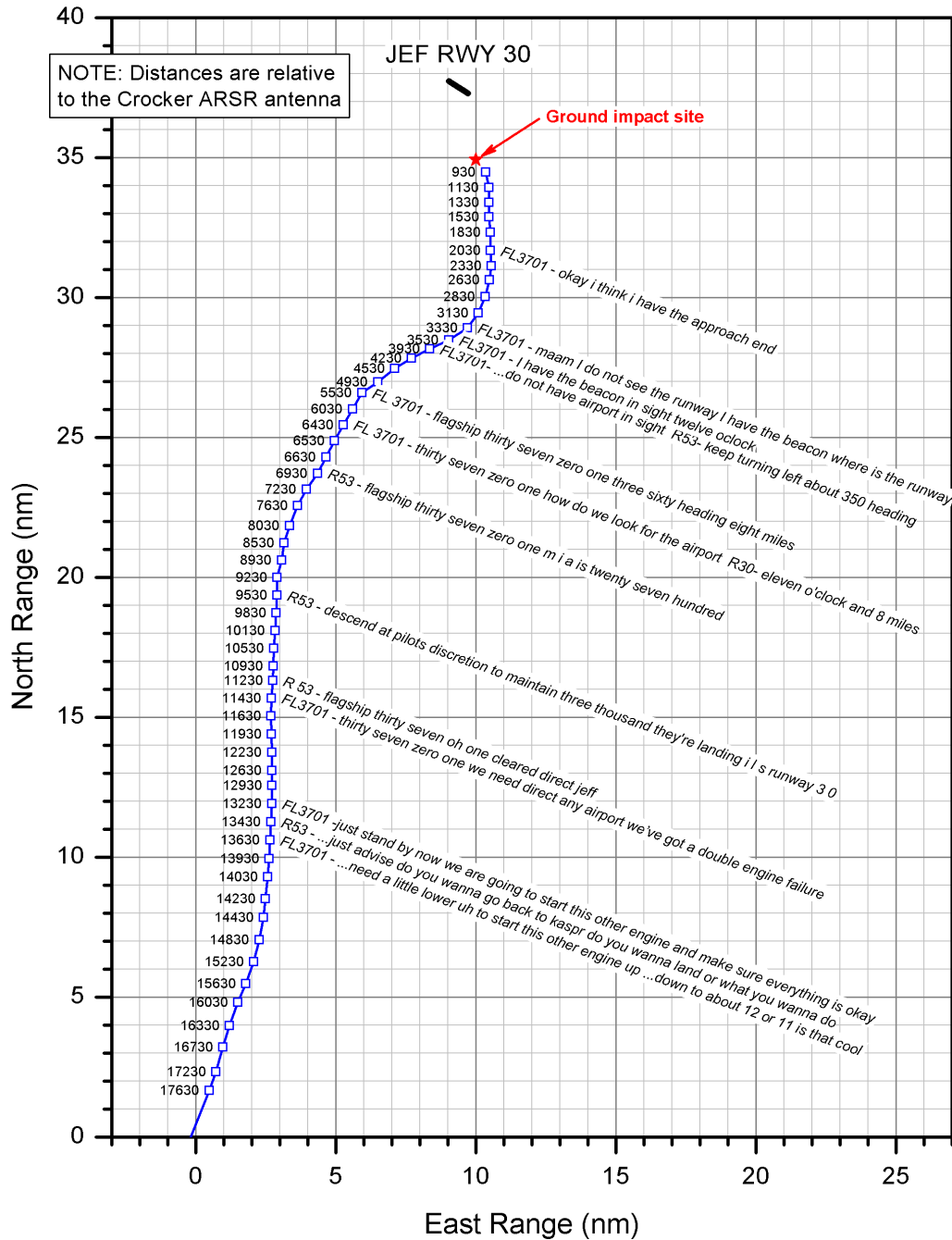


Figure 2-4 – Radar Ground Track



### 3. Time of day correlation

A time correlation was made between the ARSR radar data, FDR data, CVR transcript data, and Air Traffic Control (ATC) radio transmission transcript data. Times indicated with the ARSR radar data were used as the reference time, and FDR, CVR, and ATC clocks were adjusted accordingly. Times given in this report are in 24-hour format, in the form HH:MM:SS UTC Time. The FDR and CVR record information relative to an elapsed time in seconds, and are assigned a time of day correlation using the technique outlined below.

#### FDR/CVR Time Correlation

To correlate the elapsed time recorded on the FDR with the elapsed time recorded on the CVR, a comparison of the microphone keying on/off times from the FDR data was made with the start/stop times of the radio transmissions recorded on the CVR. The FDR records at one-second intervals whether the aircraft radio microphone is keyed "on" or "off". Initially, all the microphone keyings are used to get a rough correlation of the FDR and CVR elapsed times. However, since the microphone keying is recorded on the FDR only once per second, the FDR is a less precise determination since the FDR may record a microphone keying (or end of keying) up to 0.99 seconds after the event actually occurred. The CVR recording provides a much more precise reference time for each radio transmission in terms of the CVR elapsed time, typically to within 0.1 second. For details of the FDR/CVR time correlation see the FDR group Chairman's Factual Report of Investigation.

Once the FDR and CVR elapsed times were correlated with each other, the elapsed times were correlated to a time of day clock. A comparison of the radar uncorrected altitude versus local time and FDR pressure altitude versus elapsed time was used to correlate the radar data time of day to the FDR data elapsed time. Since there was an interruption of power and corresponding loss of data, correlations were performed both prior to and after the loss of data.

Both FDR pressure altitude and ARSR uncorrected altitude are based on a sea level pressure of 29.92 "Hg. Additionally, the altitude data provided with the radar data has an accuracy of +/- 50 feet. By adjusting the DFDR elapsed time so that the DFDR altitude falls within the +/- 50 ft. uncertainty band of the ARSR Mode C altitude during time period of interest, the offset between DFDR time and radar time of day can be determined.



The comparison of the FDR altitude and radar altitudes yield correlations of

BEFORE LOSS OF POWER: 02:45:00Z = DFDR SFRN 181300.60  
AFTER LOSS OF POWER: 03:00:00Z = DFDR SFRN 182199.85

With these correlations applied to the FDR and CVR data, the ATC transcript provided an additional check of the correlation for the radio transmissions. Plots 3-1 and 3-2 shows FDR pressure altitude and ARSR radar altitude versus UTC time, using the time correlations given in this section. A representative plot for each correlation is shown, during times of altitude variation to show the efficacy of the correlations to fit within the error bands of the radar altitude data. Subsequent plots use these correlations to relate the FDR data to the time of day.

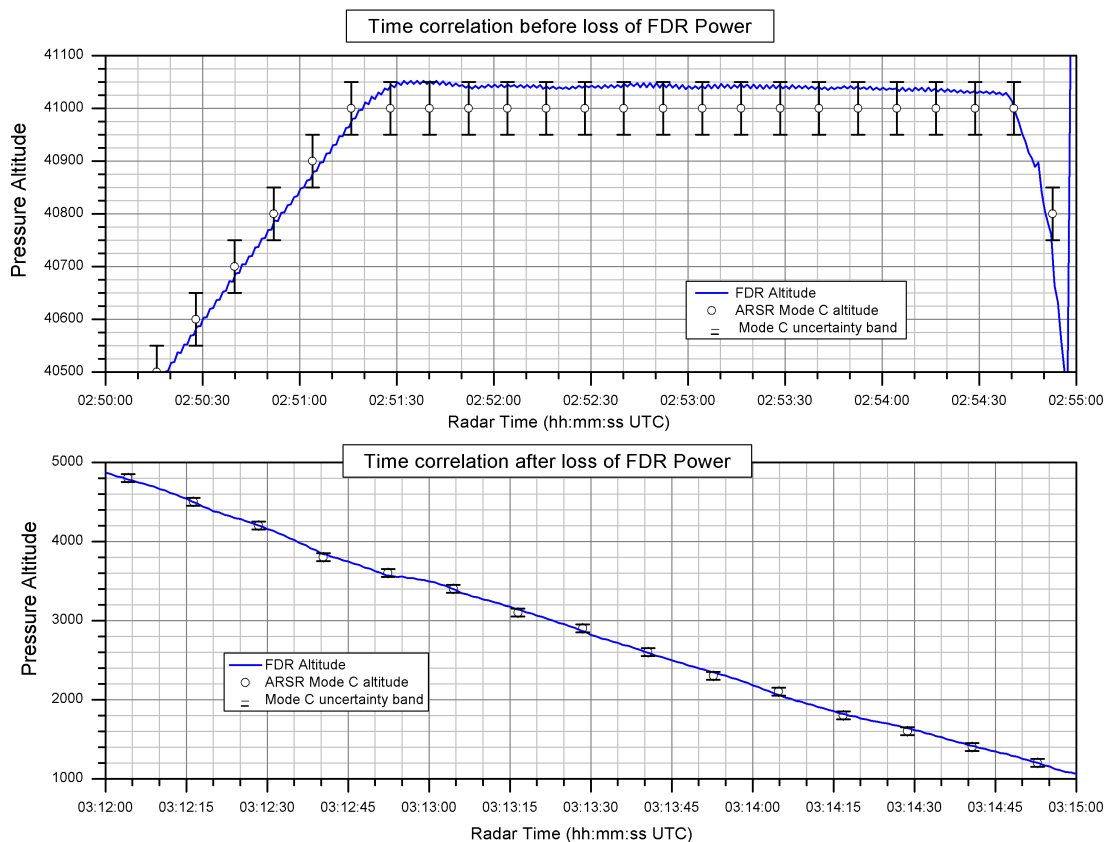


Figure 3-1 and 3-2 – Time of day correlation

#### 4. Aircraft and Atmospheric conditions

Information from the Meteorology Group Chairman Factual Report indicates that the temperature conditions of the atmosphere were International Standard Atmosphere plus 9.4 degrees Celsius (ISA + 9.4). Additionally information from the Operations Group Chairman's Factual Report indicated the weight at take-off was 39,372 pounds. Based on the fuel quantity recorded on the FDR in both the left and right fuel tanks, the aircraft weight at upset at 41,000 feet was 37,804 pounds. Center of gravity (c.g.) location was estimated by the Operations Group to be 21.6% of the mean aerodynamic chord (MAC).

#### 5. Flight Path Description

##### Ascent

Examination of the FDR data showed portions of the ascent where sharp pitch up maneuvers occurred. Pitch up maneuvers were identified at three separate times between liftoff and the final level off altitude at 41,000 feet.

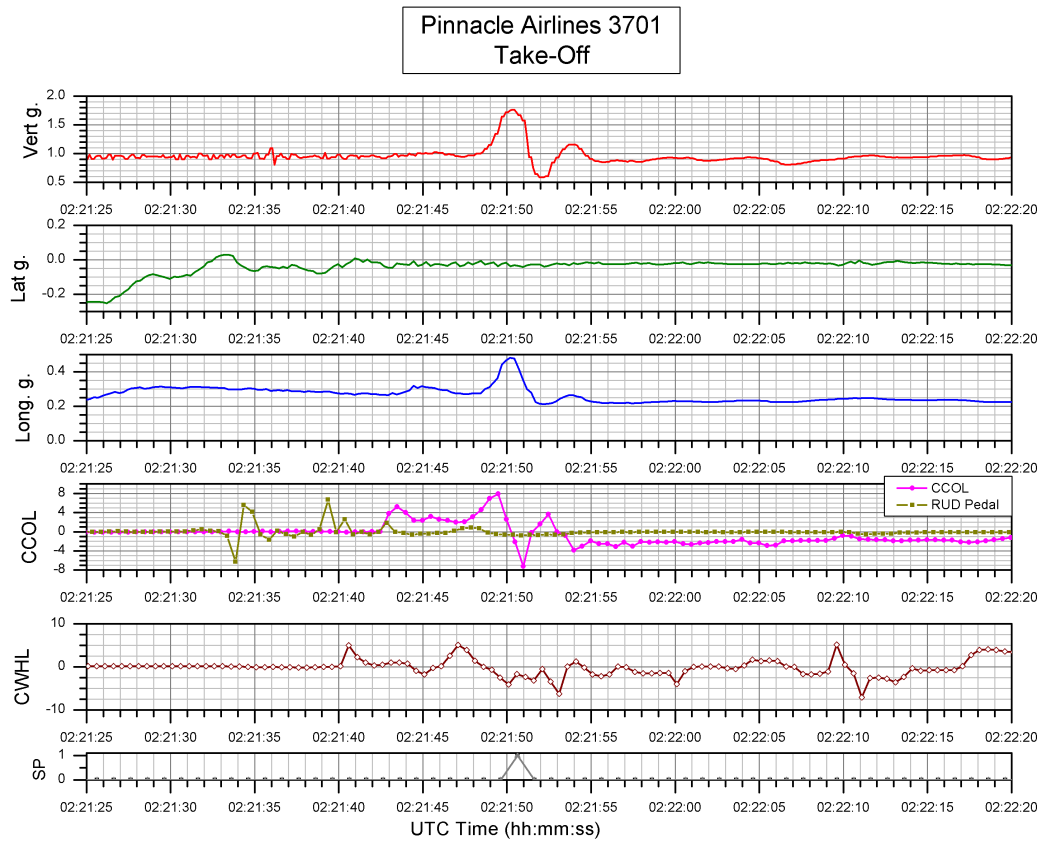
The accident aircraft was not equipped with a control force measuring system. By employing a simulation by Bombardier Aerospace, the Performance Group calculated the pitch control forces for various portions of the accident flight. A control force model was implemented based on the recorded stabilizer and elevator positions, with the sum of the system friction, centering forces, and the column force gradients. Pitch control forces were calculated during several portions of the ascent. Additionally, Mach number was calculated during the flight using the recorded computed airspeed and total air temperature.

##### Takeoff

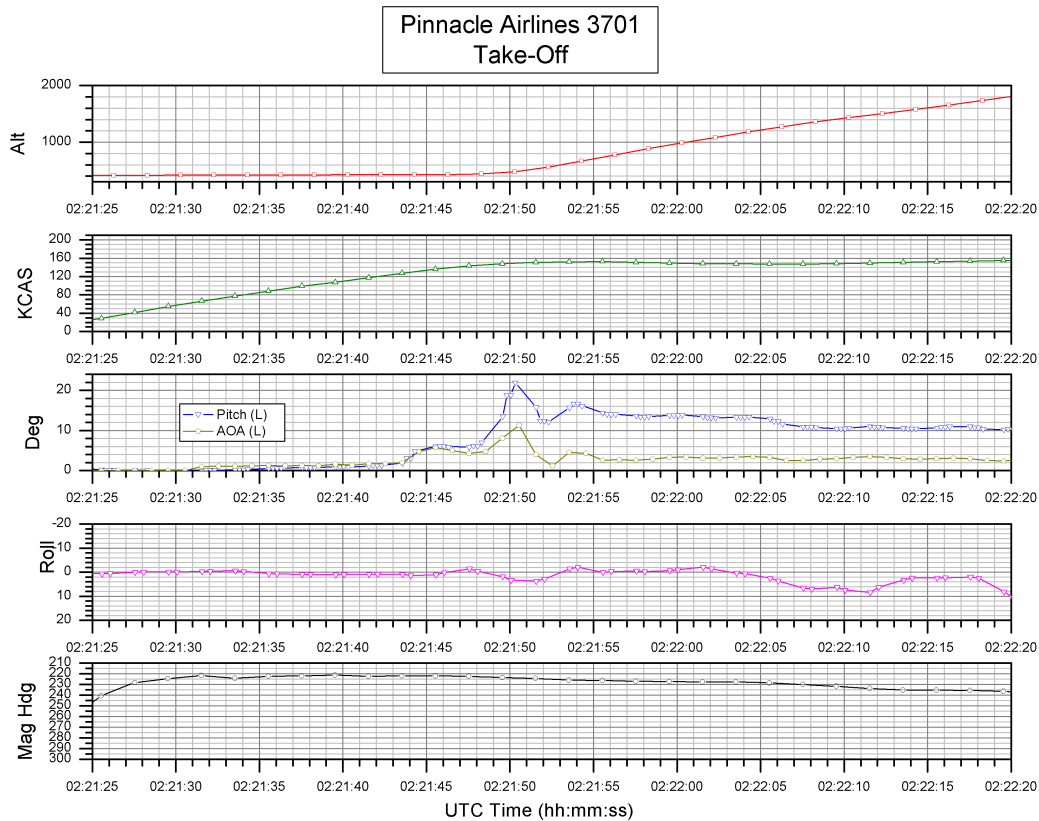
Plots showing the altitude, airspeed, accelerations, and control inputs are shown in figures 5-1 and 5-2. Note the initial rotation occurs at 02:21:45, up to a pitch angle of about 6 degrees. Control force calculations showed that this column movement required 26 pounds of force. Four seconds later, a larger column deflection to 8 degrees<sup>1</sup> raised the pitch of the aircraft to 22 degrees, and generated close to 1.8 g's of vertical acceleration. Force calculations indicated that 34 pounds of pulling force was required during this maneuver. A single stick pusher discrete is recorded on the FDR, followed by a column deflection to full nose down and reduction of pitch angle.

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<sup>1</sup> Information from the Flight Data Recorder Group Chairman indicated that the range of motion for the pitch controls during the control check was -8.6 degrees (nose down) to 10.2 degrees (nose up).



**Figure 5-1**



**Figure 5-2**

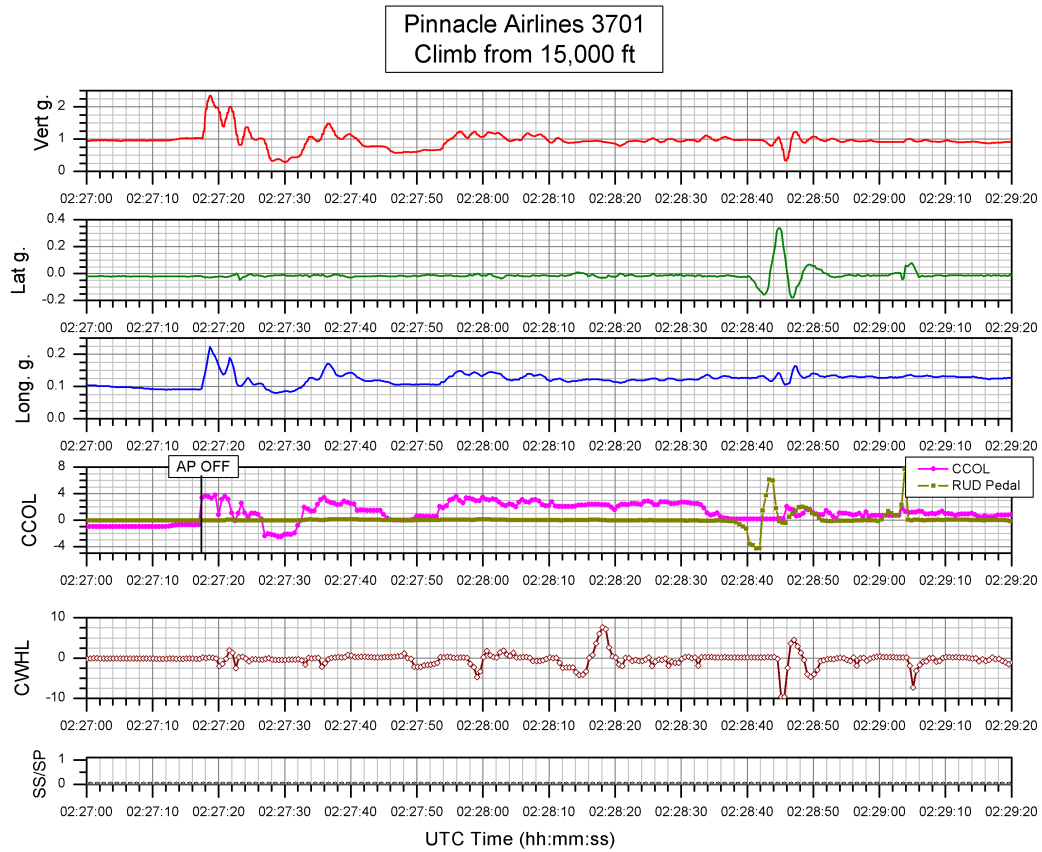
### 15,000 feet

Figures 5-3 and 5-4 show flight parameters while the airplane is at 15,000 feet. At approximately 02:27:17, while level at 15,000 feet, the autopilot is disconnected and a pull up is initiated with a column deflection. A calculated force of 30 pounds nose up is required as the column is deflected to 3.8 degrees. Over 2.3 g's of vertical acceleration is generated as the airplane pitches up to 17 degrees over the next several seconds. At 02:27:26, a nose down push is initiated, requiring a calculated 20-pound force in the nose down direction. During this push, the vertical acceleration drops to close to 0.3 g's. This is followed by another pull of about 26 pounds.

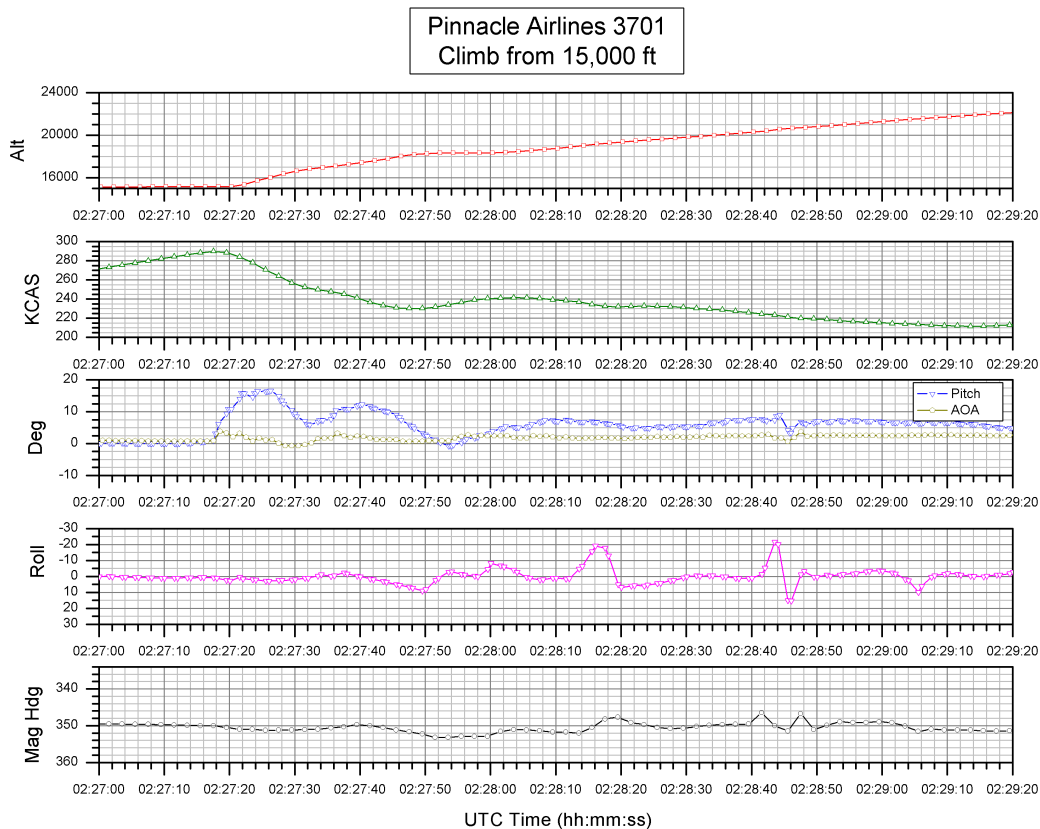
Approximately 70 seconds later, a rudder doublet is performed, consisting of a large rudder input to the left, then to the right. This generates close to 0.16 g's of lateral acceleration on the first deflection left, than 0.34 g's lateral acceleration to the right, than 0.18 g's back to the left. After these maneuvers,



the autopilot is reconnected at 02:29:27 as the airplane ascends through 22,300 feet.



**Figure 5-3**



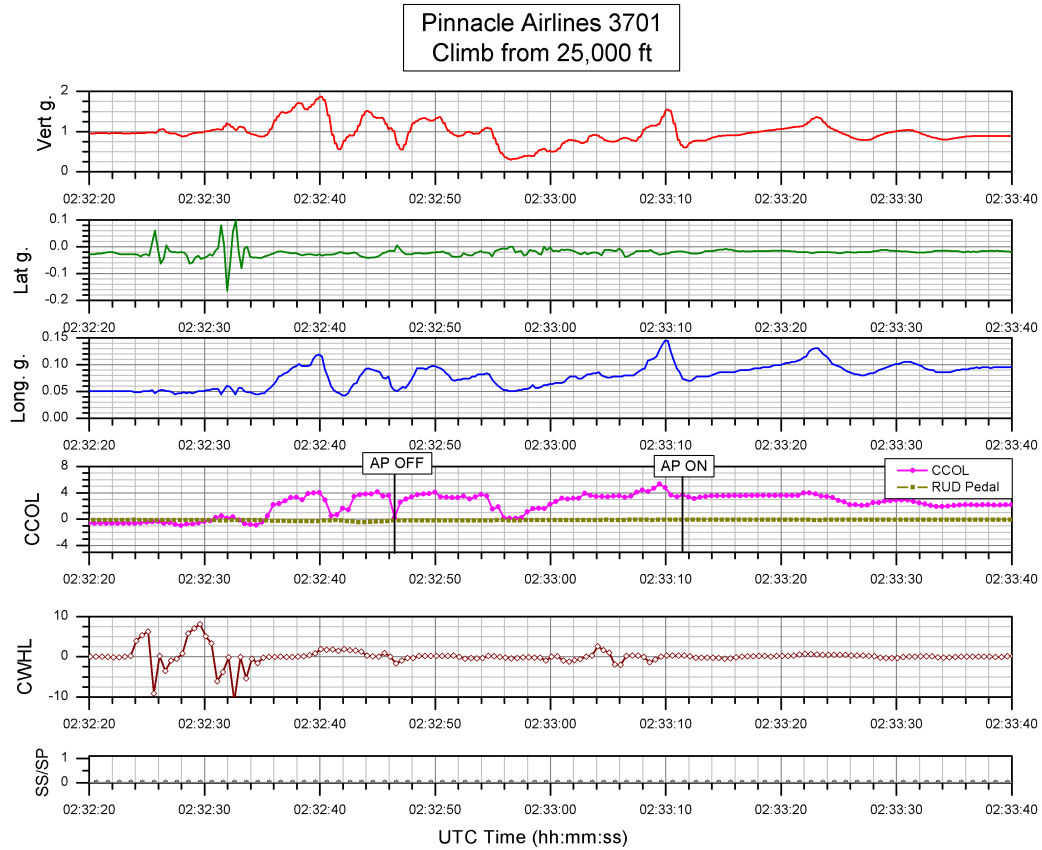
**Figure 5-4**

### 25,000 feet

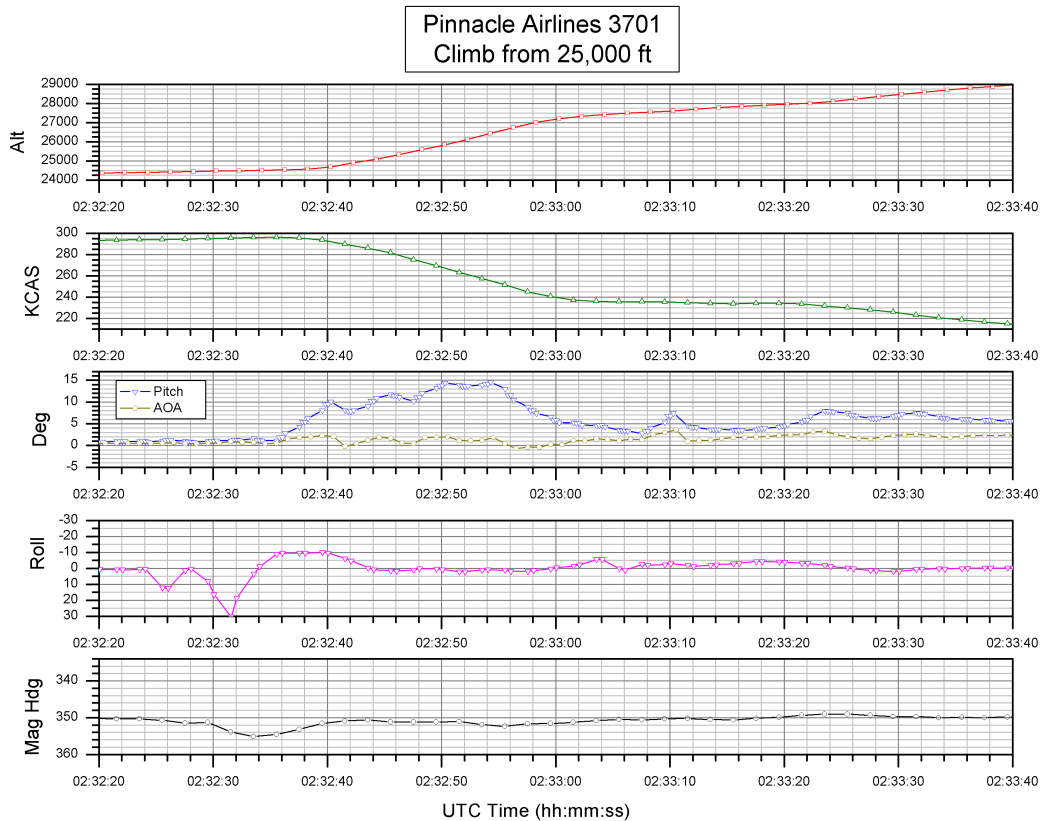
While at 25,000 feet, a climb is initiated with the autopilot engaged and vertical speed selected at 600 feet/min. Flight parameters are shown in figure 5-5 and 5-6. With the autopilot engaged, the column is moved aft to 4 degrees airplane nose up by 02:32:40. This increases the pitch to over 10 degrees, and generates 1.87 g's vertical acceleration<sup>2</sup>, and increased to the climb rate to over 5000 fpm for several seconds. At 02:32:46, the autopilot is disconnected and the column is pulled with a force of 34 pounds, increasing the pitch to close to 15 degrees. The column position remains between 3 and 4 degrees over the next 8 seconds. This column force is released, and another pulling force is gradually applied starting at 02:32:58, reaching a calculated peak of 44 pounds as the column moves to 5.3 degrees. The autopilot is then re-engaged at 02:33:10 with

<sup>2</sup> Information from Bombardier Aerospace indicates that the autopilot cannot command vertical g's greater than +/- 0.2 g's.

a target climb rate of 3000 ft/min, which is reduced to 1400 ft/min, and then 1000 ft/min by 02:32:04.



**Figure 5-5**



**Figure 5-6**

#### Bombardier Flight guidance for climb to 41,000 feet and altitude selection.

Bombardier Aerospace in their Flight Planning and Cruise Control Manual (CSP A-084) provides guidance for climb performance up to the climb ceiling for the CL600-2B19 (RJ200). Data is provided in this document utilizing the following climb speed schedules:

Long Range Climb Speed – 250KIAS / 0.70 Mach  
 Normal Climb Speed – 250/290 KIAS / 0.74 Mach  
 High Speed Climb – 250/320 KIAS / 0.77 Mach

Attachment 5-1 shows the climb schedule to be used during a “long range climb speed”, maximum climb thrust maneuver in an atmosphere of ISA +10 deg C. Note for all initial climb weights, a constant speed of Mach 0.7 is recommended above 33,000 feet



Attachment 5-2 shows the climb capability of the aircraft for several different initial weights using the long range climb speed. Note that for all weights, the rate of climb capability reduces as the altitude increases, particularly above 36,000 feet, when the aircraft should be operating at a constant Mach 0.7. However, at the accident aircraft weight, the aircraft would still have a positive rate of climb at 41,000 feet if at an airspeed of Mach 0.7. Attachments 5-3, 5-4, and 5-5 show the rate of climb limits up to the climb ceiling for climb rates of 100, 300 and 500 fpm, respectively. Note that 41,000 feet is within the Mach 0.7 envelope for an aircraft weight of 38,000 pounds, and ISA +10. However the 300 fpm climb ceiling at the same weight and temperature as the accident conditions is about 40,000 feet, and the climb ceiling at 500 fpm is about 38,700 feet.

Attachments 5-6 through 5-11 show the recommended altitude selection section from the Flight Planning and Cruise Control manual. The optimum altitude recommendation in this section ensures a maneuver load factor of 1.3g before buffet onset when operated at the recommended speeds. Optimum altitudes are shown in these charts for 0.74 Mach, 0.77 Mach, and 0.80 Mach, and long range cruise speeds.

#### Climb to 41,000 feet

Engine and longitudinal parameters are shown in figures 5-7 and 5-8 during the climb from 34,000 feet to 41,000 feet. This part of the climb was performed with the autopilot engaged. While below 35,000 feet, the airplane was climbing at a vertical speed of 1000 feet per minute (fpm), as selected in the autopilot. The engines maintained an N1 setting of 95.5%, and Mach number varied slightly between 0.60 and 0.61. As the airplane passed through 35,000 feet, the autopilot vertical speed selection was reduced stepwise to zero, and the aircraft leveled off at 36,500 feet at 02:41:00. During this level off, the calculated Mach number began to increase.

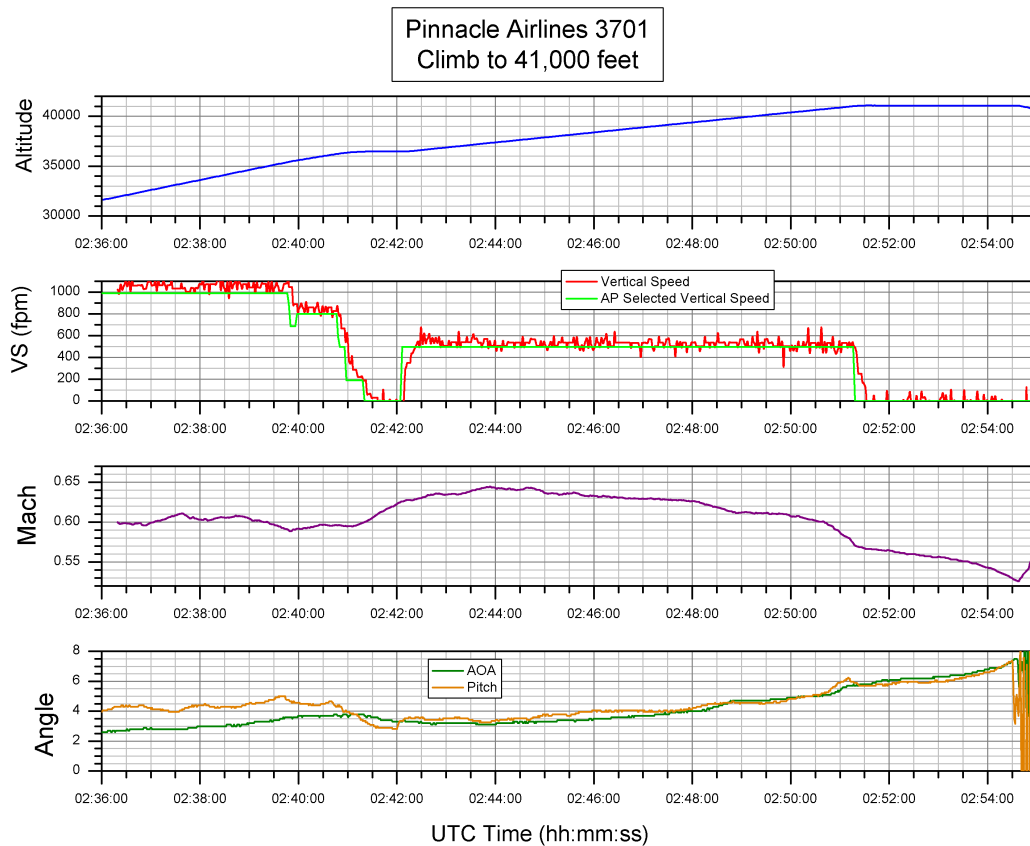


Figure 5-7

Shortly after 02:42:00, a vertical speed of 500 fpm was selected on the autopilot. The engines increased in N1 by about 0.5%, and Mach number continued to increase. By 02:44:00, the aircraft was passing through 37,400 feet and the Mach number reached 0.644. The airplane continued this climb at a vertical speed of 500 fpm over the next 7 minutes, until reaching the final altitude of 41,000 feet. During these 7 minutes, the calculated Mach number showed a continuous decay to 0.57. The pitch angle had increases from about 3 degrees to about 6 degrees, and N1 on both engines had reduced to 94.7%.

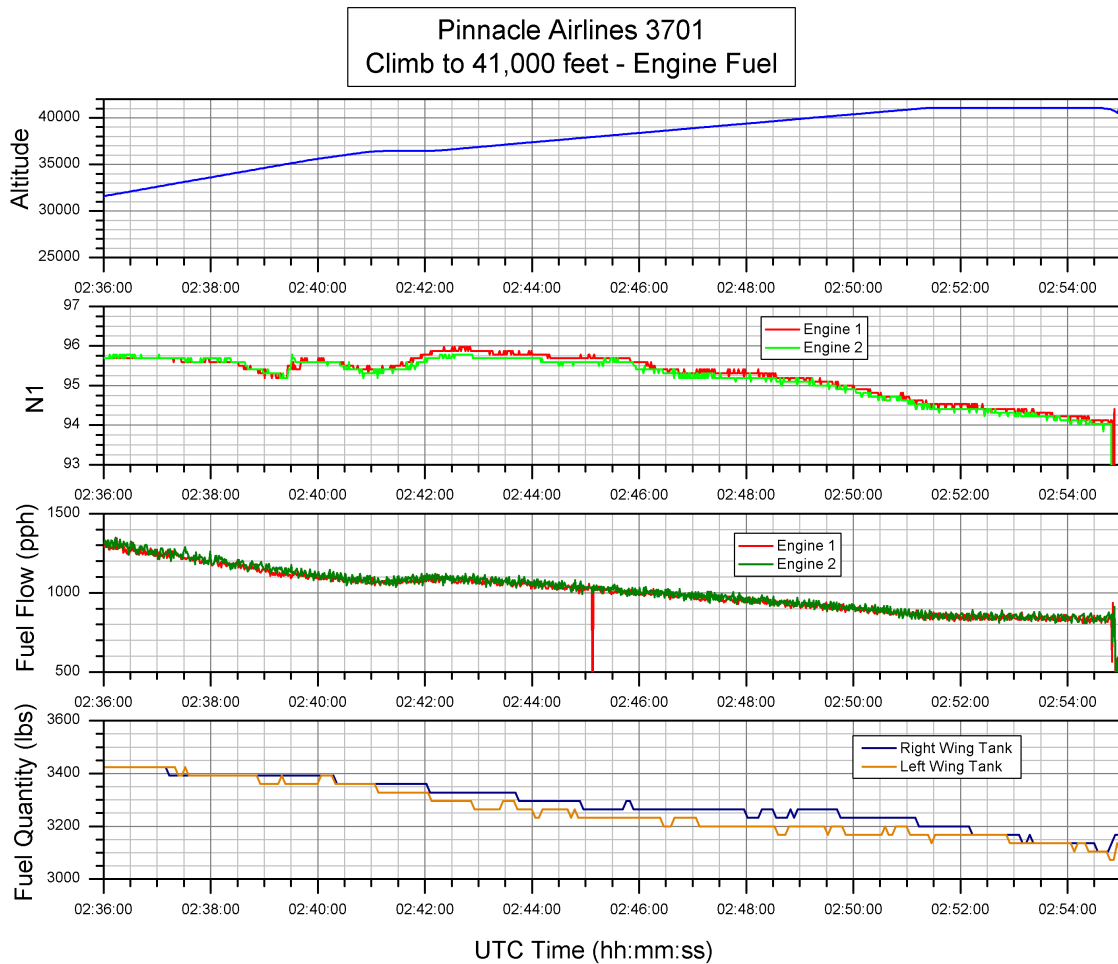


Figure 5-8

Once the airplane reached 41,000 feet, vertical speed reduced to zero as the selected altitude was captured by the autopilot, and the airplane leveled off. Over the next 3.5 minutes, calculated Mach number continued to decay to about 0.53, pitch angle and angle of attack continued to increase to close to 7 degrees, and N1 in both engines continued to reduce by another 0.5%.

## Upset at 41,000 feet

Parameters detailing the upset at 41,000 feet are shown in figures 5-9 and 5-10. Engine parameters during the upset are displayed in figure 5-11. At 02:54:34, the airspeed had decayed to 150 knots (calculated Mach = 0.526). A single discrete for stick shaker on the right side switched to “on”, and the autopilot disconnected. The control column moved to close to zero degrees by 02:54:35. 3.5 seconds after autopilot disconnect, a pull on the control column, calculated to be 25 pounds, occurred which was then released. Over the next few seconds, the control column moved again to 4 degrees in the airplane nose up direction, with airplane nose up column forces calculated to be up to 26 pounds. During this column movement, the pitch increased to close to 8.5 degrees.

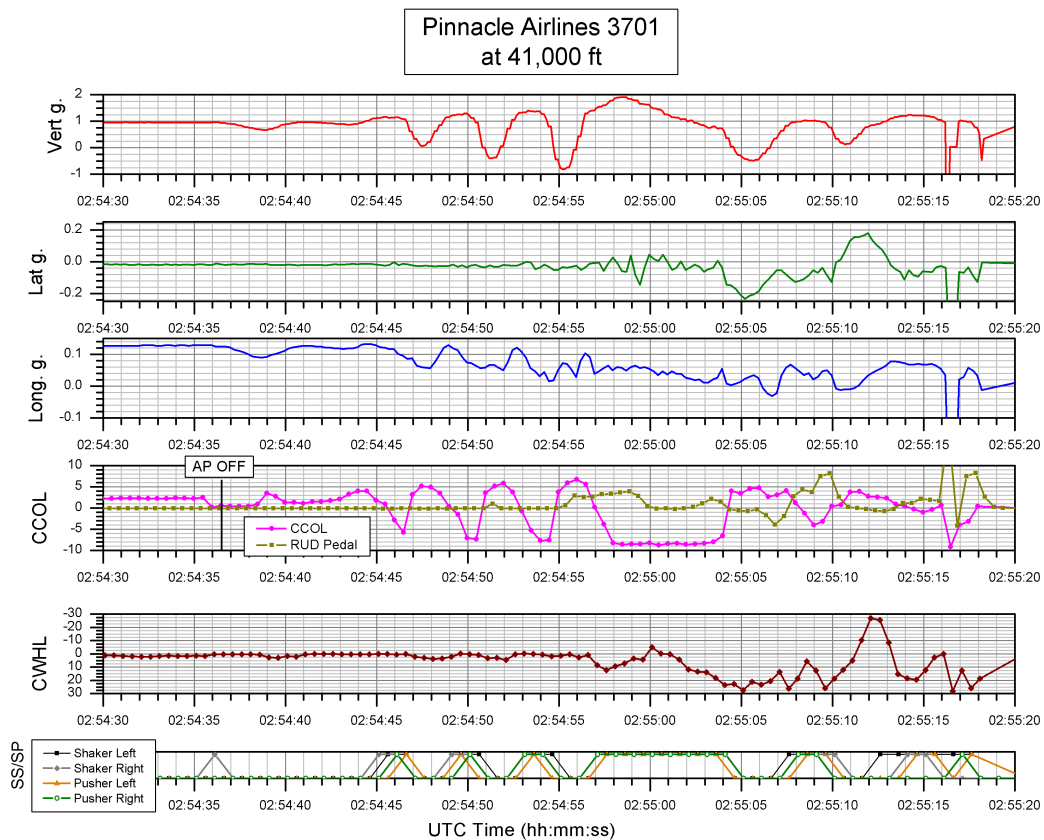
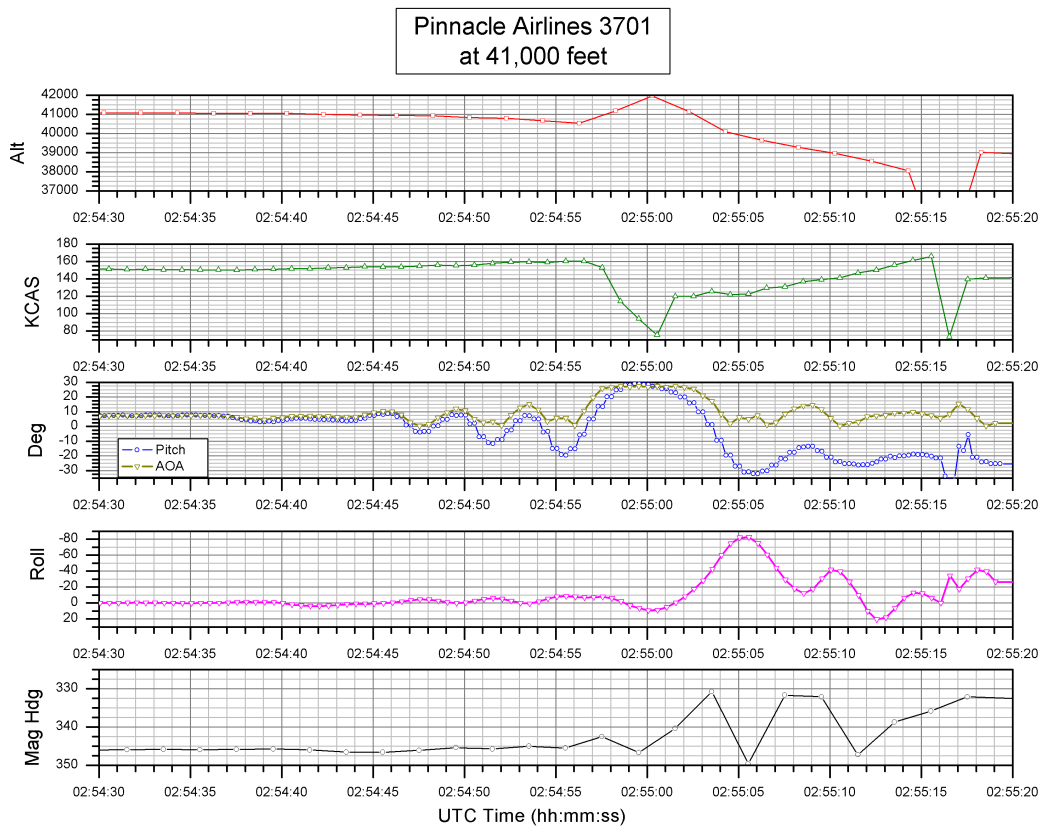


Figure 5-9





**Figure 5-10**

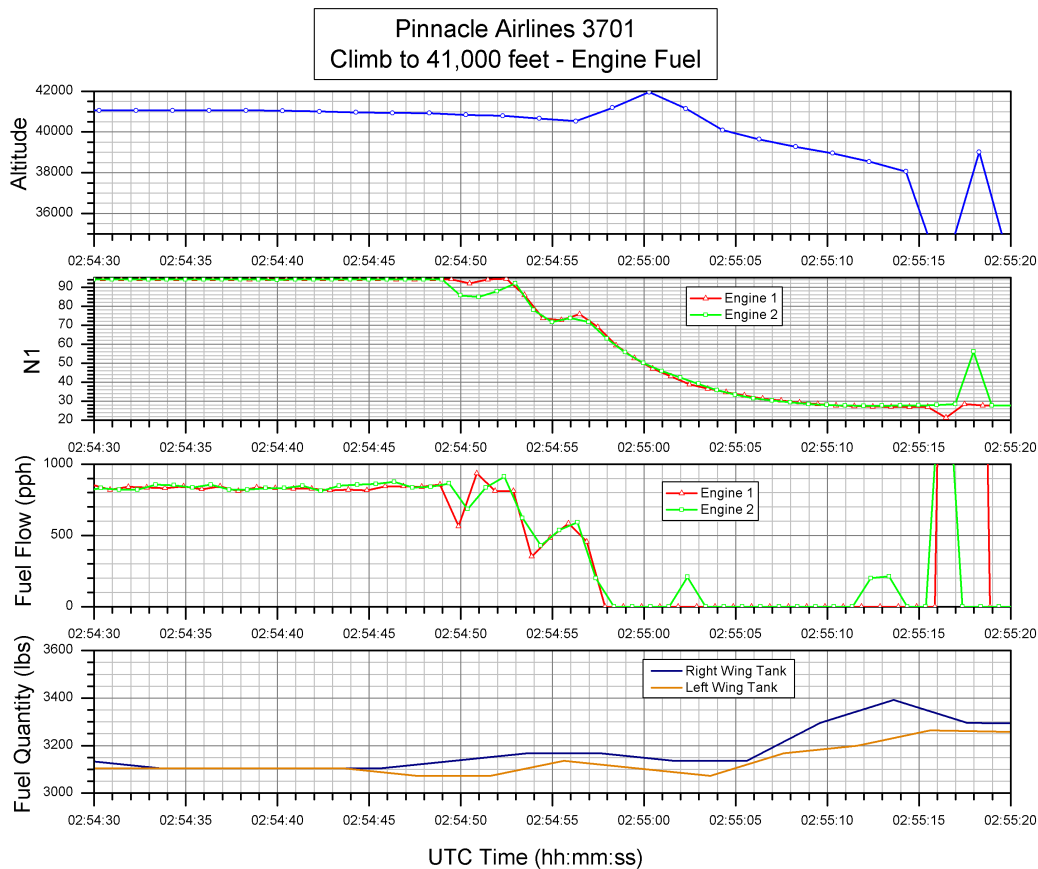


Figure 5-11

By 02:54:45, the angle of attack had increased sufficiently to activate both the stick shaker and stick pusher, and the column moved forward rapidly. Information from Bombardier Aerospace indicated that the stick pusher moves the column forward with a force of 80 pounds. The action of the pusher reduced the pitch angle to  $-3.5$  degrees and the angle of attack to 0 degrees. The vertical acceleration reduced to near zero g's. As the vertical acceleration was reducing, the angle of attack reduced, the stick pusher cancelled, and the control column moved back beyond the neutral point to about 5 degrees airplane nose up. The aircraft pitched nose up to 8 degrees pitch angle and the angle of attack increased to 11 degrees, leading to another stick pusher activation.

Over the next 8 seconds, this same procedure is repeated two more times, with the stick pusher moving the column forward, and after pusher release from reduction of angle of attack, movement of the control column beyond the neutral point to airplane nose up. During the pitch up in the second of the cycles at 02:54:51, the first drop in engine 2 N1 is noted, from a steady value of 94%

down to 84%. After 02:54:53, both engines N1's and fuel flows begin to reduce in value.

These subsequent cycles cause the airplane nose down pitch angle in each pusher activation to increase, reaching  $-19.5$  degrees by 02:54:55. The subsequent pull back on the control column went to a higher nose up value each cycle, reaching 6.8 degrees on the third pull at 02:54:56. The nose up movement also caused the vertical acceleration to reach lower values in each cycle, reaching a maximum of  $-0.8$  g's. During these cycles the airspeed had increased to 160 knots.

By 02:54:57, the stick pusher had activated a fourth time, pushing the column to full nose down, where it remained for the next 4.5 seconds. During this push, the angle of attack reached the maximum measurable value of 27 degrees<sup>3</sup>. Engine fuel flow has reduced to near zero by 02:54:58. Pitch angle reached a maximum value of 29 degrees at 02:54:59. The recorded airspeed was only 74 knots at this time, and the altitude is increasing. However, according to Bombardier, the static source errors corrections programmed into the aircraft Air Data Computers (ADC) are not calibrated for the high angle of attack experienced at this time ( $> 27$  degrees) and the recorded values of airspeed and altitude may not be accurate.

As the pitch angle began to reduce, a left rolling motion started, eventually reaching 82 degrees left wing down, and the pitch reached  $-32$  degrees at 02:55:06. Over the next 14 seconds during the recovery from this upset, there is considerable control column, control wheel, and rudder movement. The stick pusher activated three more times during this recovery. Engine fuel flow remained near zero, and both engines N1 are exhibited decay in value. The FDR stopped recording data by about 02:55:20.

### Glide/Descent

The FDR began recording data again at 02:59:16. When the FDR begins recording data again, the engines are no longer operating. Several attempts to re-start the engines were made over the course of the next 15 minutes. For details of the engine start attempts, see the Flight Data Recorder Group Chairman Factual Report, the Cockpit Voice Recorder Group Chairman Factual Report, and the Operations Group Chairman's Factual Report. Flight parameters during the descent are shown in figures 5-12 and 5-13.

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<sup>3</sup> The limit of 27 degrees angle of attack is the physical limit of the sensor. Physically higher angles of attack will be recorded as this limit

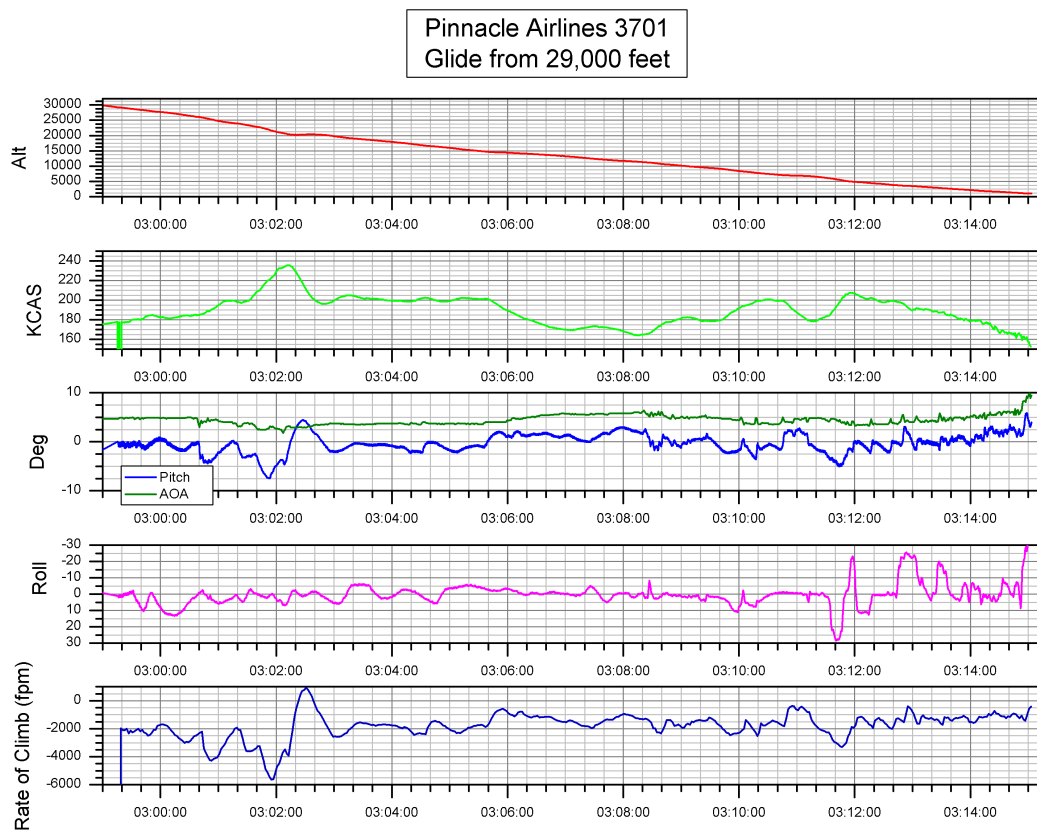
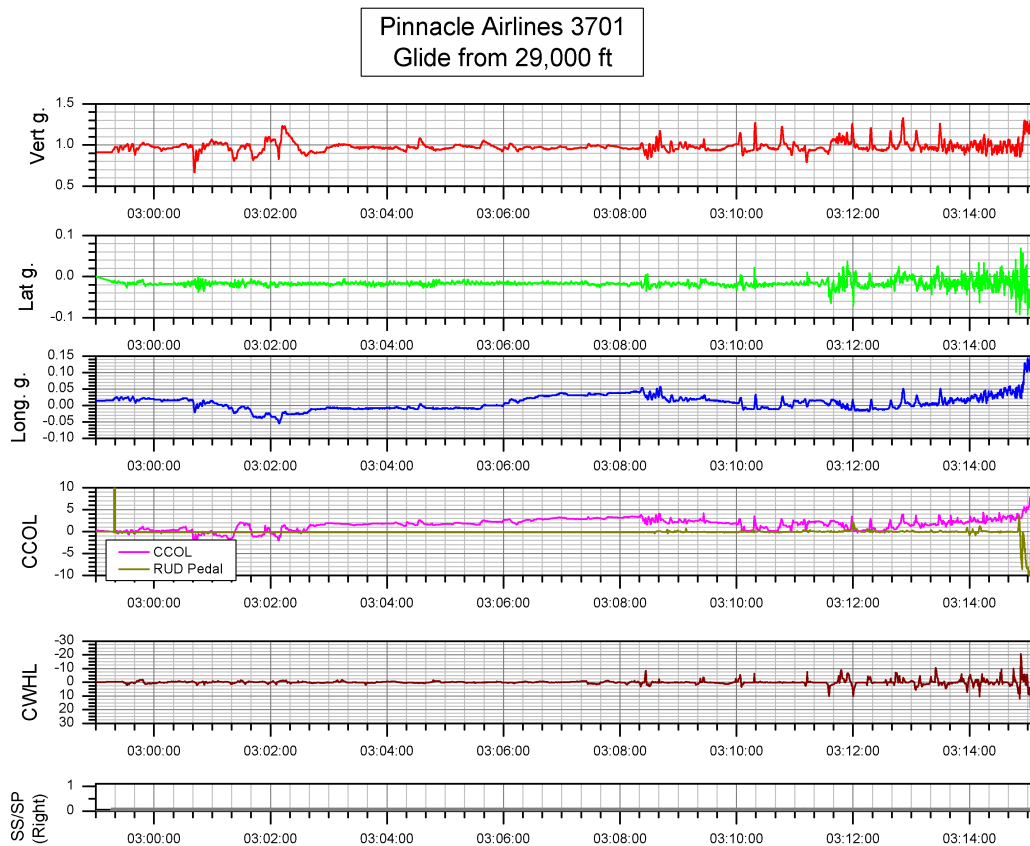


Figure 5-12



**Figure 5-13**

During the initial part of the descent, airspeed increases as the pitch of the airplane is reduced to close to 8 degrees. As the pitch remained nose down, the descent rate reached a maximum of -5000 fpm. A maximum airspeed of 236 knots is reached at 03:02:12, as the aircraft passed through 20,500 ft –msl altitude. The airplane is then leveled near 20,300 feet for the next 30 seconds. The aircraft then begins to descend again at rates between 1800 and 2000 fpm as the aircraft’s speed is maintained at about 200 knots.

At about 03:04:46, the airspeed began to reduce as the pitch of the airplane increased while passing through 15000 feet altitude. The airspeed reduced to close to 170 knots, and varied slightly over the next several minutes. The descent rate then varied between 1000 and 2000 feet per minute.

At 03:09:06, while at an altitude of 10,000 feet, Flight 3701 notified ATC that they needed the closest airport available. Flight parameters from this point

of the flight until the end of the FDR recording are shown in figures 5-14 and 5-15. Also plotted in figure 5-13 is the best glide airspeed of 170 knots for the estimated aircraft gross weight. During this portion of the glide, the airspeed varied between 180 and 206 knots., as the descent rate varied between 300 and 3200 feet per minute. Additionally during this part of the descent, several short pull backs on the control column occurred, along with concurrent variations of pitch angle and correlated increased of vertical accelerations up to as high as 1.3 g's.

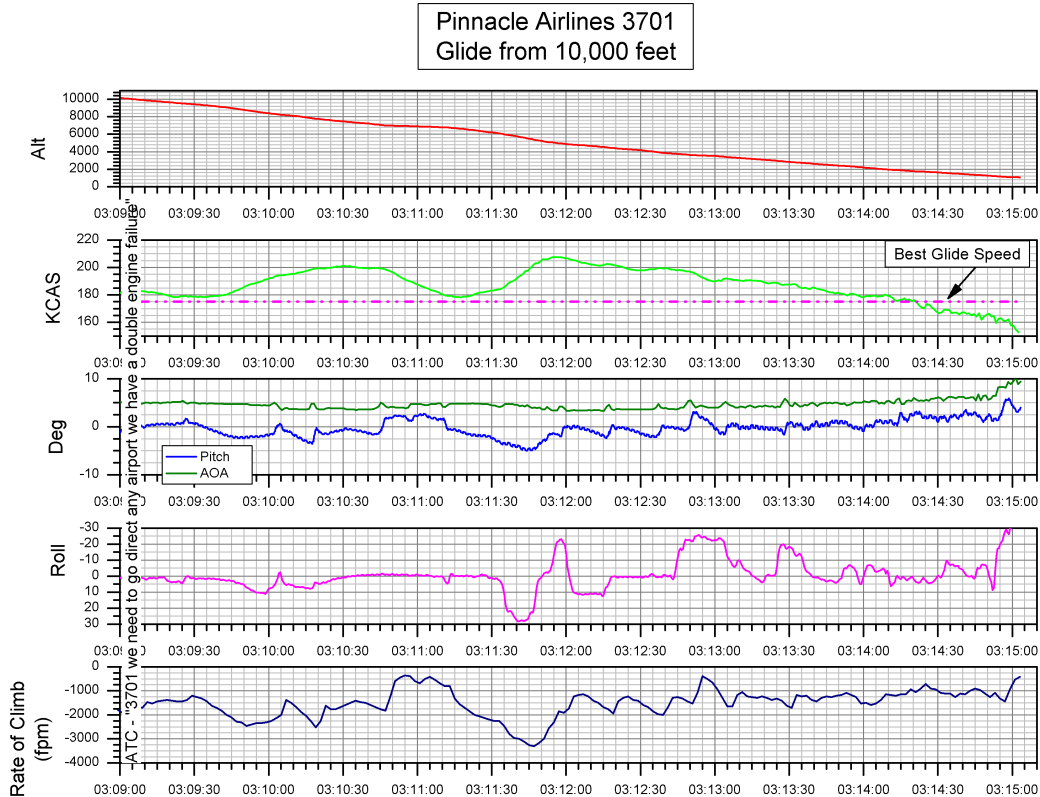


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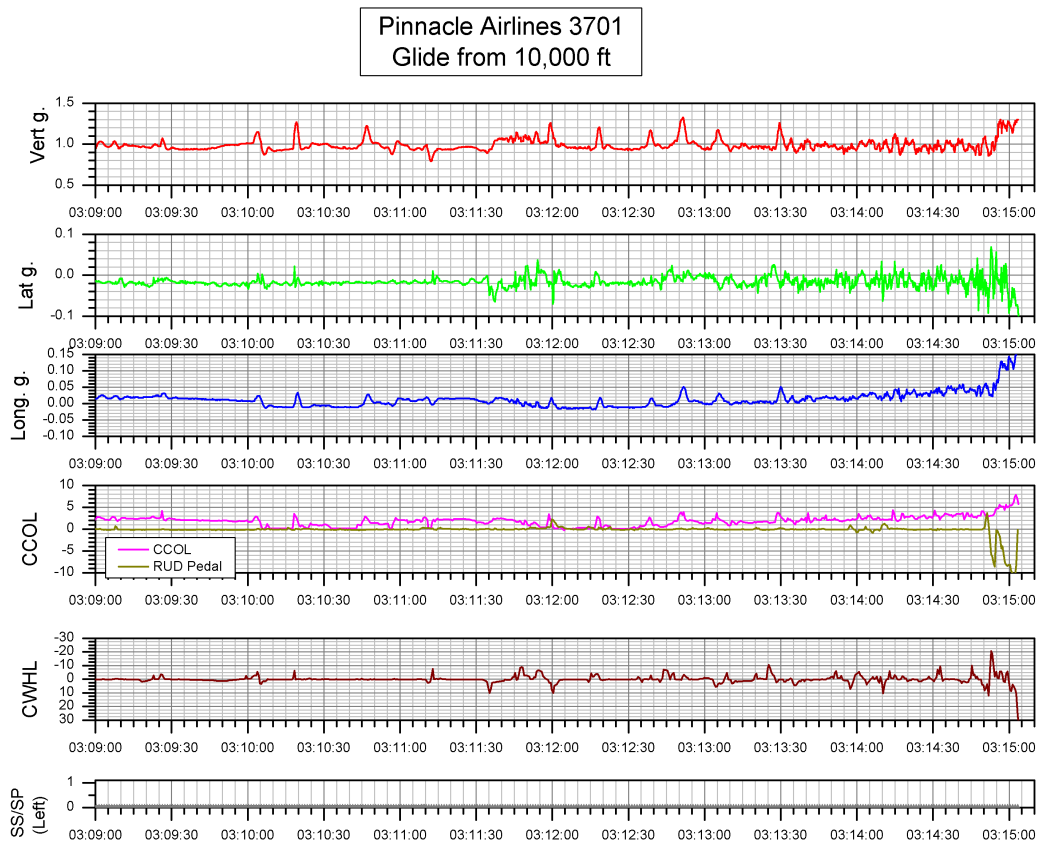


Figure 5-15

## 5. Glide Performance

Data was obtained from Bombardier Aerospace regarding the glide performance of the CRJ 200 at the accident weight. Data from the FDR also indicated that the flight spoilers were deployed to 5.6 degrees from 28,000 feet until the end of the recording. The additional drag from the flight spoilers and the air driven generator (ADG) was included to the glide performance calculations. The reference speed for the glide calculations was 170 knots. Table 5-1 below shows the data provided by Bombardier. The first column is the flight level that the all engine-out glide is started. Distances and times stated in this table are to reach sea level. The Jefferson City airport is located at an elevation of 549 feet, and with the altimeter setting of the day placed JEF at a pressure altitude of 819 feet. Hence, distances to reach JEF based on pressure altitude are displayed in the final column, are offset for increased elevation using a linear interpolation of the data between 2000 feet and sea level. Also shown for comparison to

demonstrate the relative penalties of operating at airspeeds other than best glides are the distances to sea level at best glide speed -20 knots and best glide speed +20 knots

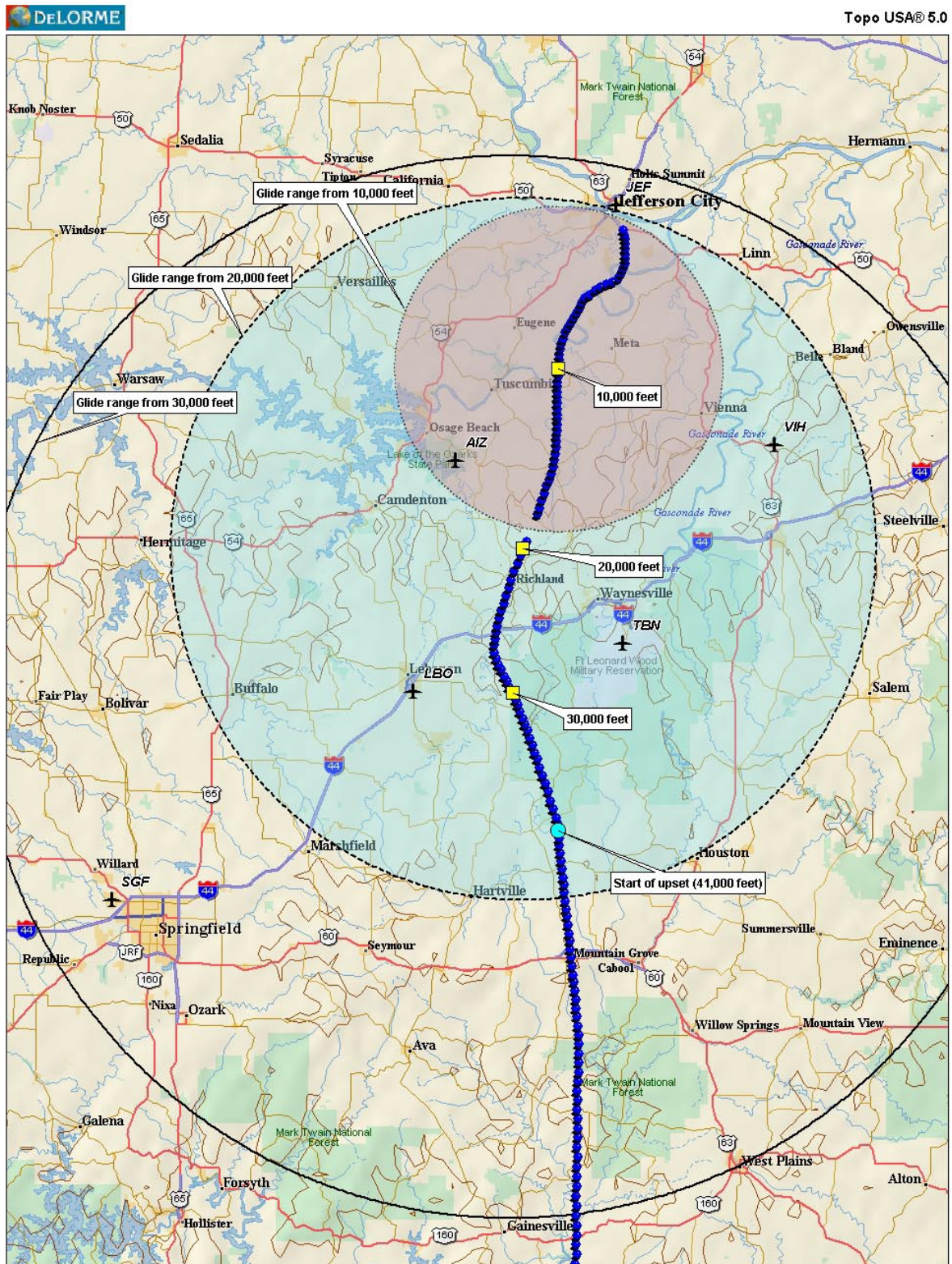
Table 5.1 All Engine Off Descent – Flight spoilers deployed, ADG Deployed

<b>Flight altitude (100's ft)</b>	<b>Glide time to sea level (min)</b>	<b>Glide distance to sea level (nm)</b>	<b>Glide distance to JEF on 10/14/04 (nm)</b>	<b>Increase in distance with spoilers retracted (nm)</b>	<b>Glide distance to sea level, Best glide speed - 20 knots (nm)</b>	<b>Glide distance to sea level Best glide speed + 20 knots (nm)</b>
200	12.36	48.85	46.94	2.76	49.55	46.33
180	11.4	43.64	41.73	2.46	44.35	41.32
160	10.39	38.53	36.63	2.16	39.22	36.41
140	9.33	33.5	31.60	1.87	34.15	31.61
120	8.2	28.54	26.64	1.59	29.14	26.89
100	7.0	23.65	21.75	1.31	24.18	22.25
80	5.74	18.82	16.92	1.04	19.26	17.68
60	4.42	14.04	12.14	0.78	14.39	13.18
40	3.02	9.32	7.42	0.51	9.56	8.73
20	1.55	4.64	2.74	0.25	4.76	4.34

Glide distances for the accident aircraft conditions were placed on the radar/map overlay and shown with several airport locations in figure 5-16. Glide footprints are shown for glides beginning at 30 thousand, 20 thousand, and 10 thousand feet, and reflect the glide distances available to reach a pressure altitude of 819 feet.

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Figure 5-16



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**Attachment 2-1**

Tabular Radar Data

## Attachment 2-1 Tabular Radar Data relative to Crocker Antenna

UTC hour	min	sec	Range (nm)	Azimuth (Deg)	Uncorrected Altitude (ft)	North (nm)	East (nm)	Latitude (N)	Longitude (W)
2	42	26.2	100.75	177.275	36500	-100.538	4.785	36.2915538	92.2573491
2	42	38.2	99.625	177.187	36600	-99.404	4.884	36.3104685	92.255287
2	42	50.3	98.5	177.187	36700	-98.277	4.829	36.3292624	92.2564036
2	43	2.3	97.375	177.187	36800	-97.150	4.774	36.3480573	92.2575208
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**Attachments 5-1 through 5-5**

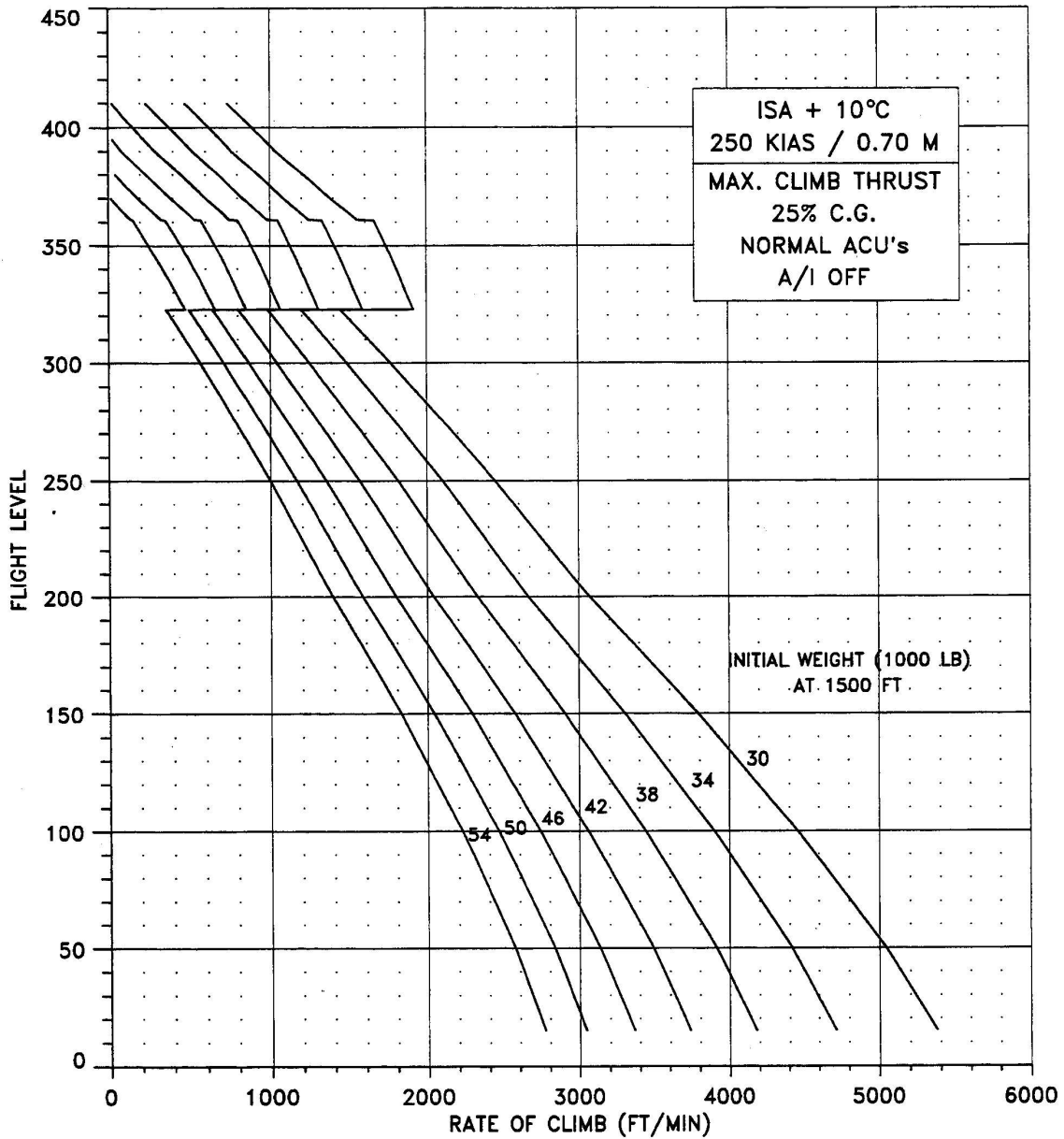
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# FLIGHT PLANNING Climb Capability

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Rate of Climb (250 KIAS / 0.70 M), ISA + 10 °C  
Figure 03-03-4

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CLIMB 250 KIAS / 0.70 M					
MAX. CLIMB THRUST NORMAL ACU'S A/I OFF		ISA + 10 C 25% C.G.		FROM 1500 FT	
				TIME (MIN)	FUEL (LB)
				DIST (NAM)	ATAS (KTS)
				MACH	ROC (FPM)

FLIGHT LEVEL	INITIAL CLIMB WEIGHT - 1000 LB											
	32		34		36		38		40		42	
410	19.3	995	21.4	1092	24.0	1207	27.4	1349	32.6	1554	45.4	2001
	120.0	374	133.7	375	150.6	377	173.0	379	208.1	383	294.8	389
	.700	605	.700	477	.700	354	.700	235	.700	121	.700	24
390	16.5	904	18.0	982	19.7	1068	21.6	1164	23.9	1274	26.7	1405
	100.7	367	110.4	368	121.2	370	133.6	371	148.4	372	166.8	374
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370	14.5	833	15.7	901	17.0	974	18.5	1053	20.1	1139	21.9	1234
	87.2	361	94.8	362	103.1	363	112.3	364	122.4	365	133.9	366
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	68.2	349	73.7	350	79.5	351	85.8	351	92.5	352	99.8	353
	.700	1694	.700	1537	.700	1391	.700	1257	.700	1132	.700	1016
310	10.3	656	11.1	705	11.9	756	12.8	810	13.7	867	14.7	927
	58.6	341	63.1	341	67.9	342	73.0	342	78.4	343	84.2	343
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270	7.9	537	8.5	575	9.1	615	9.7	657	10.3	700	11.0	745
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	.452	4164	.452	3899	.452	3660	.452	3443	.452	3245	.452	3063
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	3.3	262	3.5	263	3.7	263	3.9	263	4.2	264	4.4	264
	.413	4713	.413	4418	.413	4152	.413	3912	.413	3692	.413	3492

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Climb Performance (Climb Speed Schedule 250 KIAS / 0.70 M), ISA+10 °C (Page 1 of 2)  
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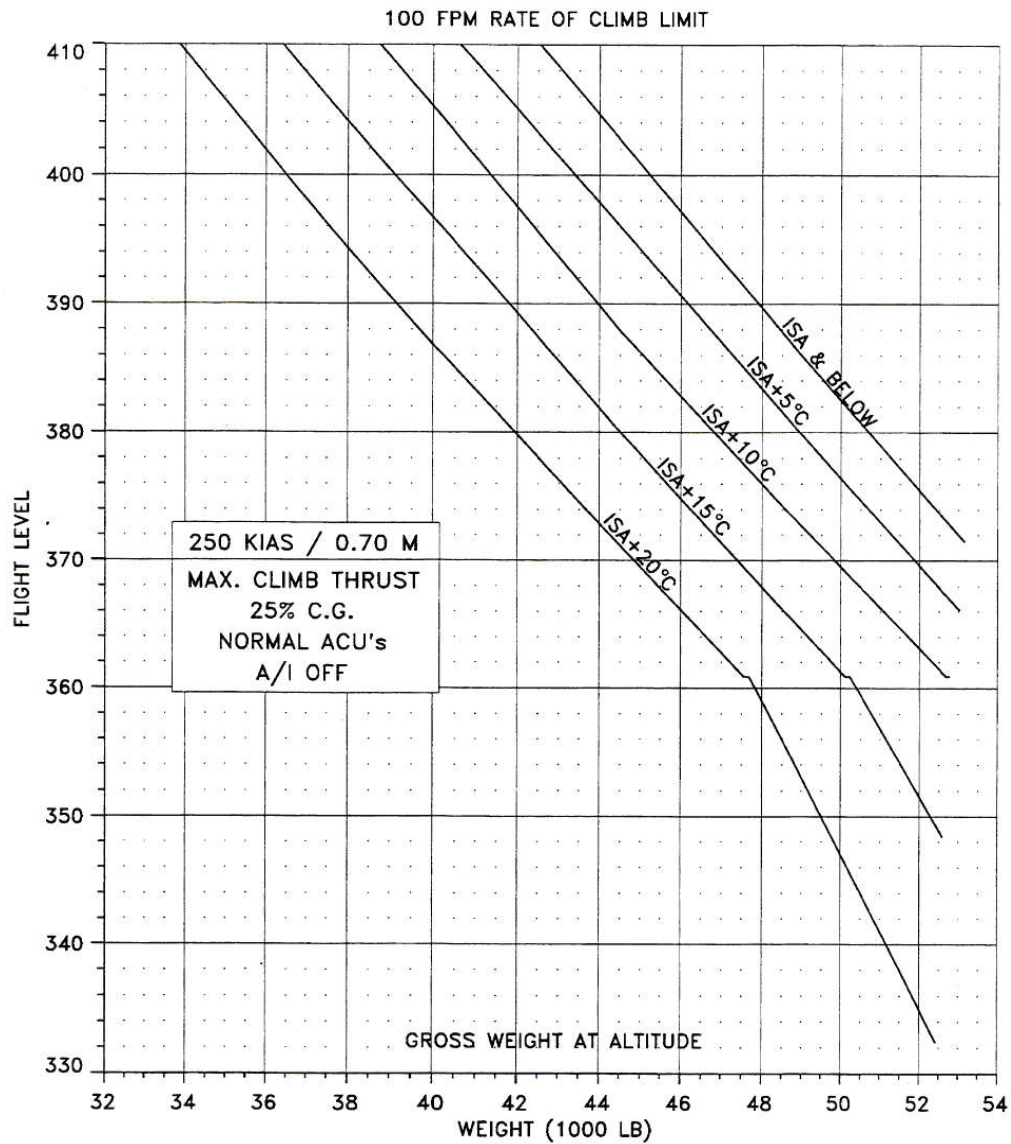
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Climb Ceiling (Gross Weight at Altitude) – 250 KIAS / 0.70 M (100 FPM Rate of Climb Limit)  
Figure 04-06-2

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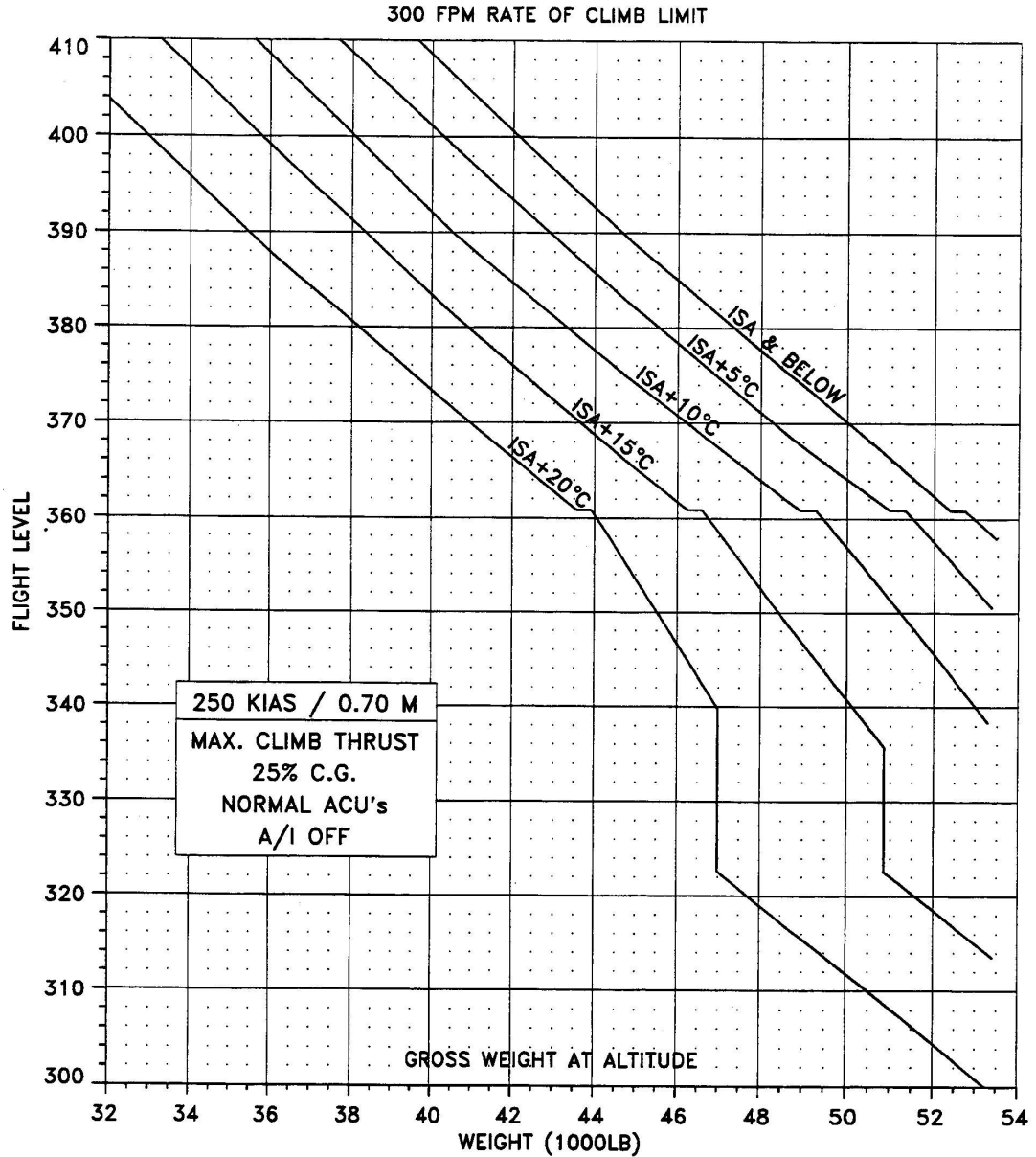




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Climb Ceiling (Gross Weight at Altitude) – 250 KIAS / 0.70 M (300 FPM Rate of Climb Limit)  
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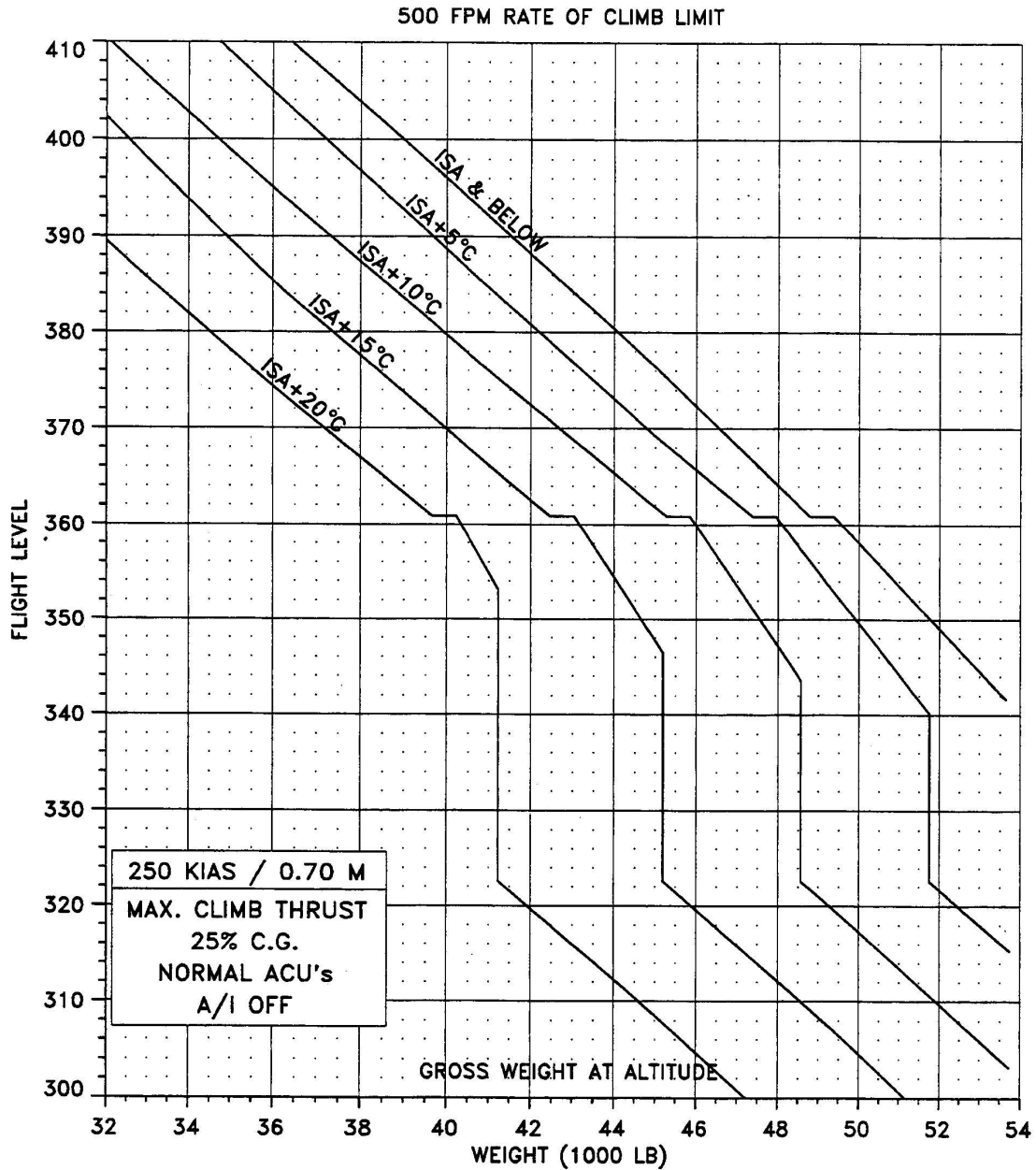
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Climb Ceiling (Gross Weight at Altitude) – 250 KIAS / 0.70 M (500 FPM Rate of Climb Limit)  
Figure 04-06-6

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**Attachments 5-6 through 5-11**

Altitude Selection Charts from Flight Planning and Cruise Control Manual

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Cruise altitudes are presented for short and long trip distances.

### A. Short Distances

Cruise altitudes are tabulated based on fixed take-off weights for stage lengths between 50 to 275 nautical miles. For short range operation, the cruise altitude is generally limited by the total distance covered by the airplane in climb and descent. Minimum cruise distance is 10% of the stage length. Long range cruise (LRC) and ISA temperature have been assumed for reasons of simplicity and to allow alternate route planning with minimum fuel burn.

### B. Long Distances

Cruise altitude selection is governed by either 300 fpm ceiling limit altitude (see Climb Capability, section 03-04) or maximum altitude (optimum) with maximum cruise thrust. The optimum altitude shown here is the maximum attainable altitude with maximum cruise thrust and does not include the climb ceiling limitation. Recommended cruise altitude ensures a maneuver load factor of 1.3 'g' before buffet onset. Optimum cruise altitudes are given for 0.74 M, 0.77 M, 0.80 M and LRC cruise speeds for -10, 0, 5, 10, 15 and 20 °C temperature deviations from ISA.

Best fuel mileage for a given cruise speed is achieved at optimum altitude. A correction table gives fuel mileage penalty for operation at off-optimum altitudes for fixed Mach and LRC cruise speeds.

Normal air-conditioning on and anti-ice off conditions are assumed.

LRC is the speed for which the specific range is 99% of the maximum specific range at a given airplane gross weight and altitude combination.

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<b>ALTITUDE SELECTION (SHORT DISTANCE)</b>		
<b>NORMAL ACU'S</b>	<b>ISA</b>	<b>LRC</b>
<b>A/I OFF</b>	<b>25% C.G.</b>	<b>RECOMMENDED FLIGHT LEVEL</b>

<b>TOW (1000 LB)</b>	<b>TRIP DISTANCE - NAM</b>									
	<b>50</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>275</b>
<b>34</b>	140	200	250	290	310	350	370	390	410	410
<b>36</b>	140	190	240	280	310	330	370	390	410	410
<b>38</b>	130	180	230	270	290	330	350	370	390	410
<b>40</b>	130	180	220	260	290	310	350	370	390	390
<b>42</b>	120	170	210	250	270	310	330	350	370	390
<b>44</b>	120	170	210	250	270	300	330	350	370	370
<b>46</b>	120	160	200	240	270	300	310	330	350	370
<b>48</b>										370

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NOTES: - MINIMUM CRUISE DISTANCE, 10% OF TRIP DISTANCE  
 - VARIABLE PAYLOAD  
 - MZFW = 44000 LB LIMIT WEIGHT

Altitude Selection (Short Distance)  
 Figure 03-04-1

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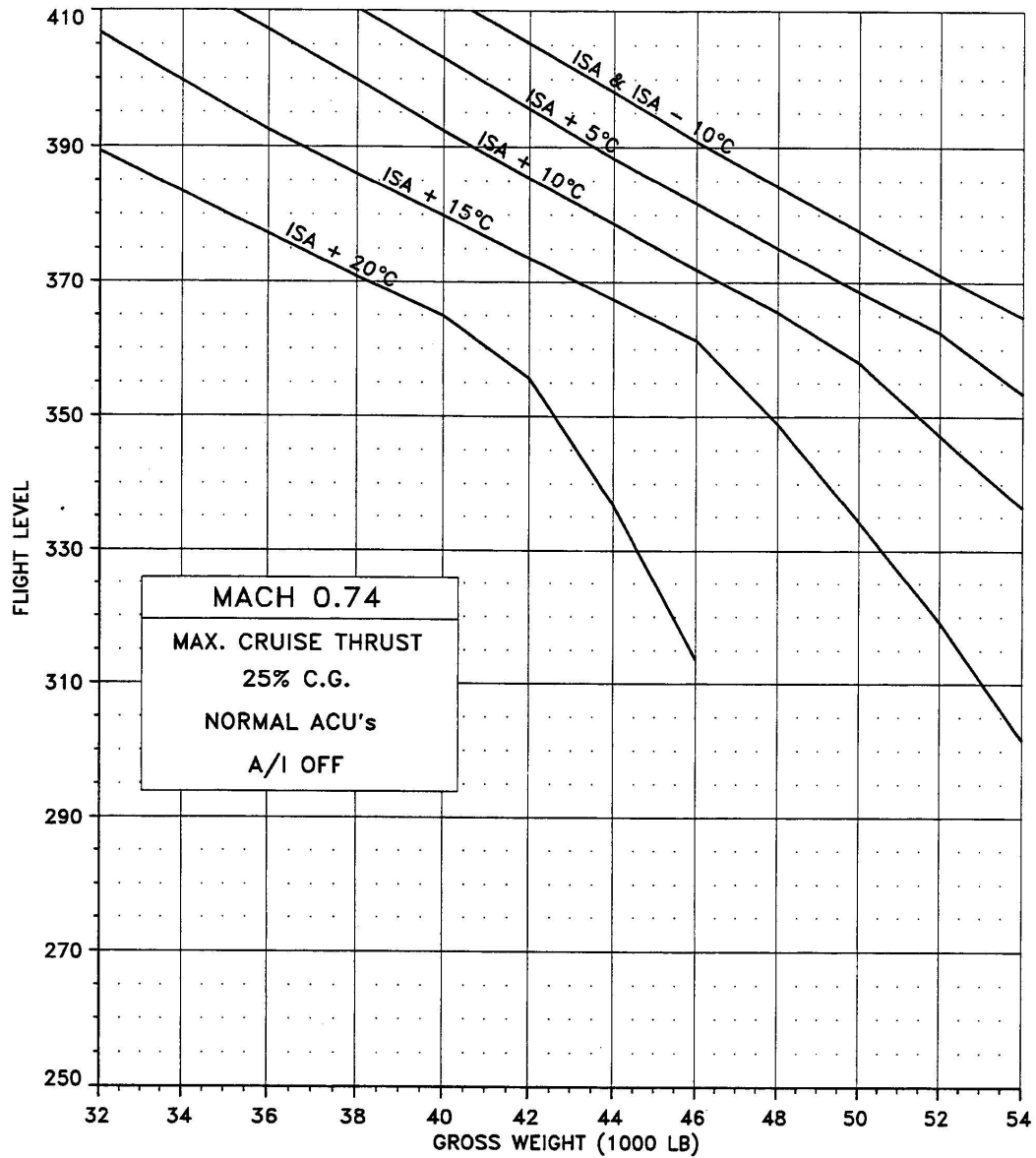
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Altitude Selection (Long Distance) - 0.74 M  
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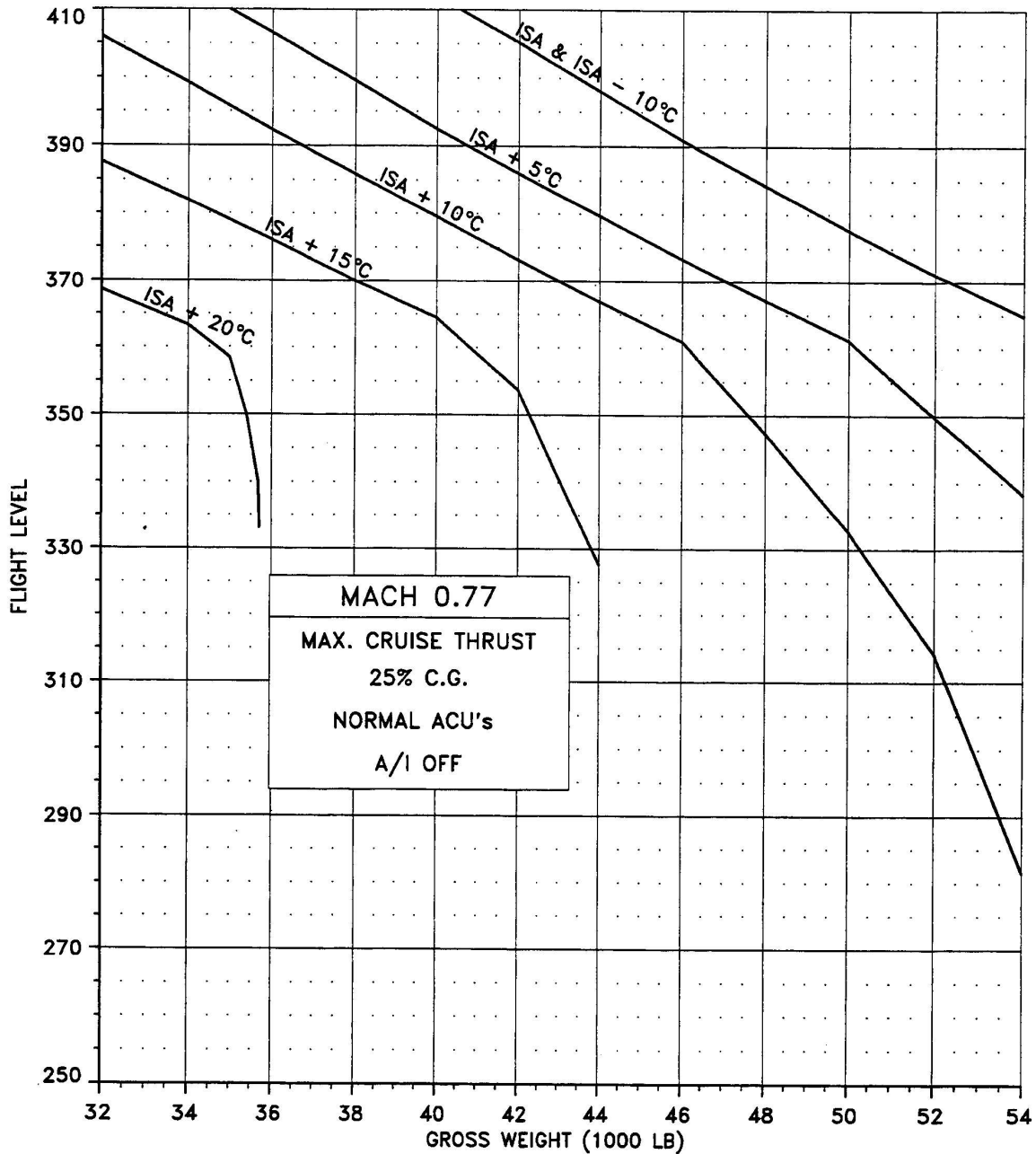
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Altitude Selection (Long Distance) – 0.77 M  
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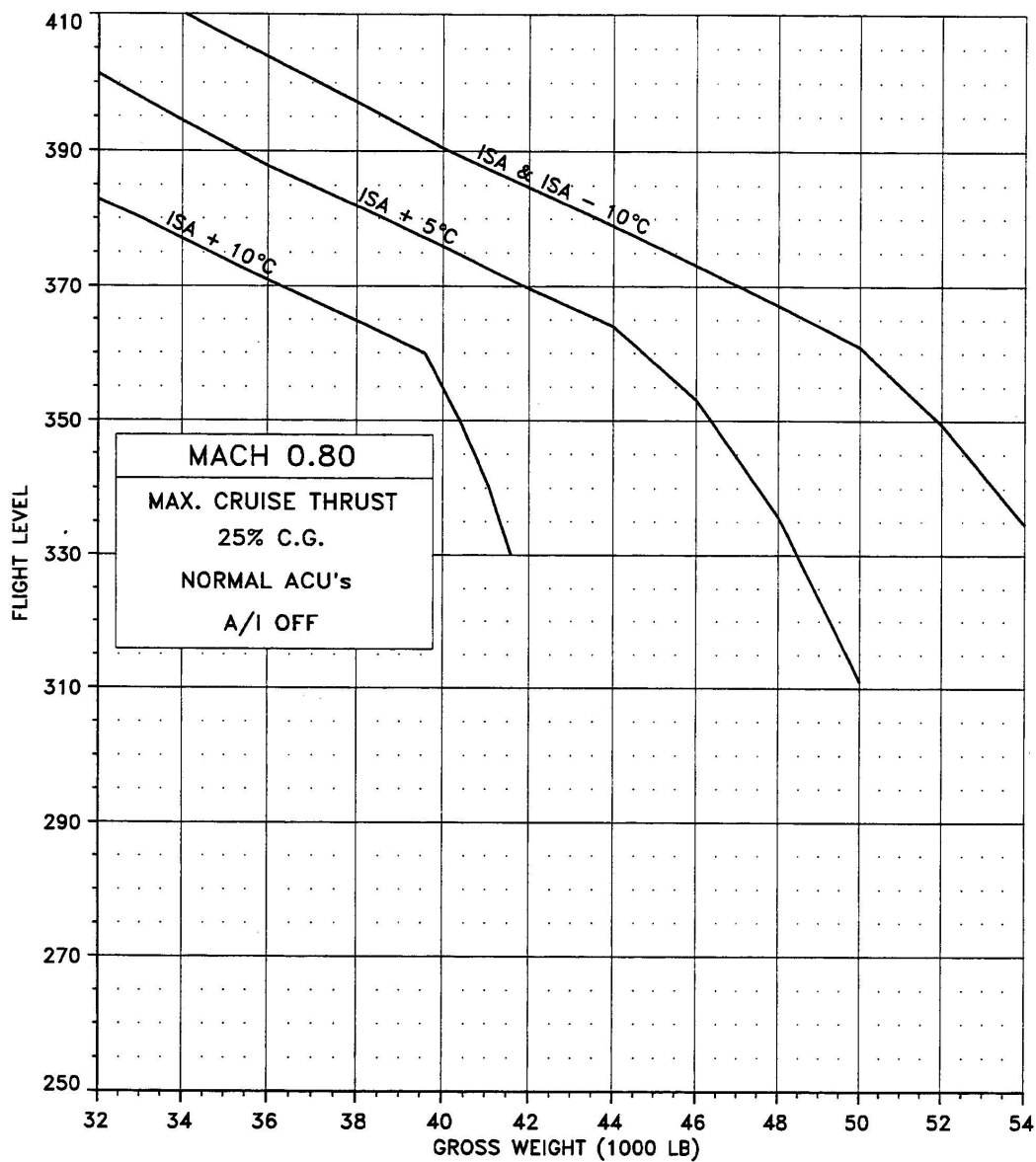
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Altitude Selection (Long Distance) - 0.80 M  
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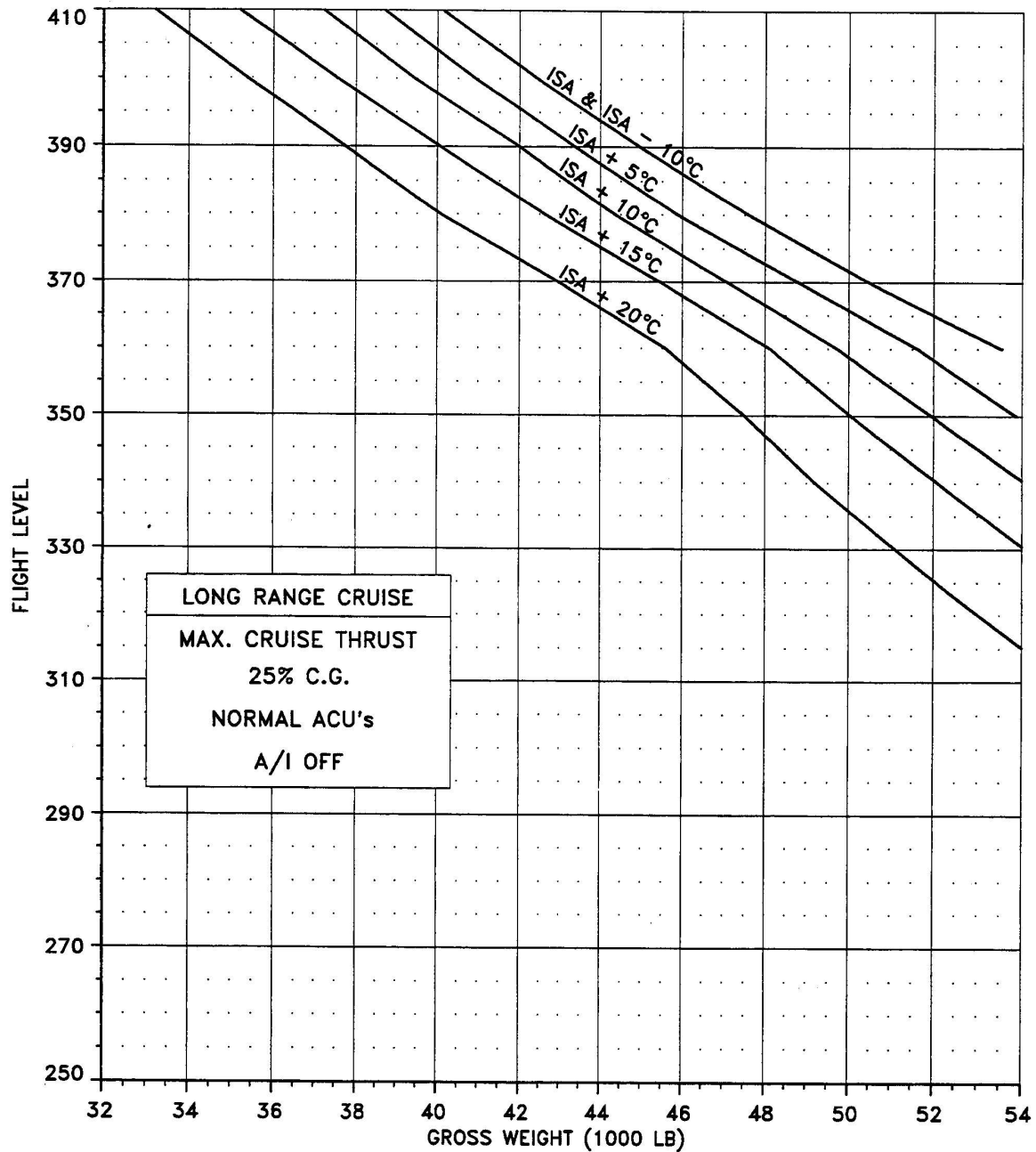
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Altitude Selection (Long Distance) – Long Range Cruise  
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